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Kinnock backs Prime Minister in condemning violence

Thatcher hits at Militant over poll tax

By Philip Webster and Nicholas Wood

Militant out of his party, Conservatives privately be-lieve the violence is deflecting

attention from the Govern-

ment's difficulties over the

They were given further

ammunition last night when Mr Tony Benn said Britain

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civil disobedience campaign

since the Suffragettes, and

called on the Labour movement to defend all those who

refused to pay the poll tax and

to pledge itself to an amnesty to lift the penalties which might be imposed upon them.

"There is no moral obligation

to obey an unjust law, but those who decide to defy such

laws, on moral grounds, must expect to be punished, believ-

campaign as Mr David Hunt,

ment, challenged Mr Kinnock

to hold a public inquiry into

"Mr Kinnock has this week

called for a public inquiry into

one of his and the Labour

Party's paymasters, Mr Scar-

gill. I think it's about time he

called for a public inquiry into

the links between Militant and

the Labour party"; adding that

"confusion, deception, ir-responsibility, and illegality"

were the hallmarks of Lab-

our's opposition to the charge.

alleged links with Militant.

Poll tax tension.

Political sketch.

Welsh refusal.

are not all banished exiles

ardent supporters of the Anti-Poll Tax Federation, which is

organizing these demonstra-tions, sit behind Mr Kinnock

in the House of Commons,

These 30 law-breaking Labour

MPs have all signed a declara-

tion in support of the federa-

tion and pledging not to pay their community charge."

As the war of words contin-

ued, Dr John Cunningham,

Labour's campaigns co-or-

dinator, pointed to the com-

munity charges set by Con-servative councils in the

constituencies of 13 ministers

Responding to claims by Mr Kenneth Baker, the

Conservative chairman, that

a pattern was emerging with Labour as the party of high spending, Dr Cunningham said that Barnet Council in

Mrs Thatcher's constituency

had overshot the government

Council in Mr John Gum-

between the average charge in Labour-controlled London

precisely the same kind as

those seen at Grunwick, in the

of a three-day tour of Scot-

land. The protest was led by

Thatcher is not wanted in

Glasgow. Her poll tax is

particularly hated in a city

refusing to pay."

Mr Baker said the difference

mer's seat by £103.

In spite of Mr Kinnock's from the Labour party," he

longstanding efforts to root said. "Around 30 of the most

Mr Benn, speaking in target by £23; Mole Valley Barkingside, said that non-violent civil disobedience had a long history in the politics of Britain and other countries. £79; and Suffolk Coastal There is no moral obligation.

ing that their sacrifice may boroughs (£403) and those run belo others, later, when the judgment of history confirms their stand."

Labour-controlled London boroughs (£403) and those run by the Conservatives (£291) was staggering.

The Conservative tactics Thatcher said the violent

were plainly on view in the scenes at the town halls were Mid Staffordshire by-election precisely the same kind as

Minister for Local Govern- coal strike and at Wapping.

who could not afford it.

The Prime Minister and to support those in the area we have witnessed this week Mr Neil Kinnock were yesterday united in condemnation of the wave of violent protests against the community charge, as political acrimony over

the tax deepened. Mrs Thatcher said that any violence or intimidatory demonstrations organized, I understand from an excellent article in The Times, by the militant left" - were a negation of

The Labour leader said he reed with everything she had said, "as I have long made clear"; and again repudiated calls backed by some far-left Labour MPs for non-payment

of the tax. But within hours of the two leaders' Question Time exchanges, town hall violence had crupted again with eggthrowing protesters storming police lines in Swindon, and demonstrators elsewhere disrupting council meetings. At Islwyn Borough Council in Mr Kinnock's constituency, 10 Plaid Cymru councillors said they would not pay the charge

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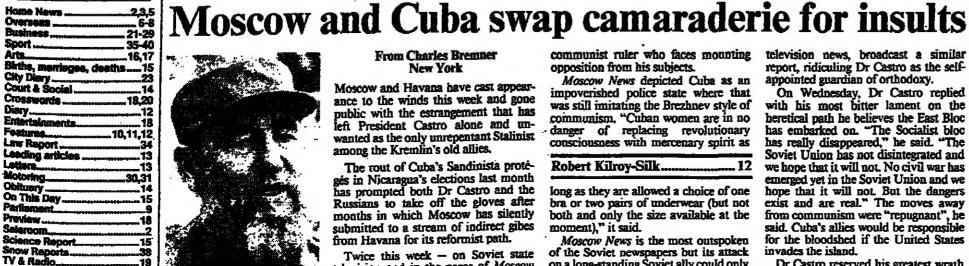
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The London stock market rose by almost 20 points to close at 2250.0 yesterday as the CBI distributive trades survey confirmed that the Government's high interest rate policy was containing consumer

Patten's stand

Environment ministers from eight countries failed yesterday to persuade Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, to rule out future nuclear waste disposal under the scabed Page 20



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Dr Castro: Bitter lament for

Moscow's heretical nath.

From Charles Bremner New York

Moscow and Havana have cast appearance to the winds this week and gone public with the estrangement that has left President Castro alone and unwanted as the only unrepentant Stalinist among the Kremlin's old allies.

The rout of Cuba's Sandinista protégés in Nicaragua's elections last month has prompted both Dr Castro and the Russians to take off the gloves after months in which Moscow has silently submitted to a stream of indirect gibes from Havana for its reformist path.

Twice this week - on Soviet state television and in the pages of Moscow News - Dr Castro has been subjected to sarcastic scorn as a rigid, backward,

opposition from his subjects.

Moscow News depicted Cuba as an impoverished police state where that was still imitating the Brezhnev style of communism, "Cuban women are in no danger of replacing revolutionary consciousness with mercenary spirit as

Robert Kilroy-Silk...

long as they are allowed a choice of one bra or two pairs of underwear (but not both and only the size available at the moment)," it said.

have been launched with high authority.

communist ruler who faces mounting television news, broadcast a similar report, ridiculing Dr Castro as the self-appointed guardian of orthodoxy.

On Wednesday, Dr Castro replied with his most bitter lament on the heretical path he believes the East Bloc has embarked on. "The Socialist bloc has really disappeared," he said. "The Soviet Union has not disintegrated and we hope that it will not. No civil war has emerged yet in the Soviet Union and we hope that it will not. But the dangers exist and are real." The moves away from communism were "repugnant", he said. Cuba's allies would be responsible for the bloodshed if the United States

Dr Castro reserved his greatest wrath for the betrayal that the states of Continued on page 20, col 4

Tories demand action on **Fayeds**

By Richard Ford Political Correspondent

Conservative MPs last night registered their strong disapproval of the Government's decision to take no action against the Fayed brothers over the takeover of Harrods. As the Prime Minister refused repeatedly to become involved in the controversy over the £615 million takeover, senior backbench MPs at a private meeting de-manded action against the

Faved brothers. At the weekly meeting of the 1922 Conservative backbench committee, several leading MPs called for tough measures against the Fayeds.

Among those expressing deep disquiet at the Government's position were Sir Peter Tapsell, a senior Conservative with strong links in the City, Sir William Clark, chairman

Fayed's empire ..

of the Conservative backbench Treasury committee Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark and Mr Hugh Dykes,

Their intervention increases the pressure on Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, about whom dissatisfaction is grow-ing among Conservatives at Westminster.

Mr Beaumont-Dark, Conservative MP for Birmingham Selly Oak, said the brothers could not be allowed to get away with it and called for them to be stripped of their

directorships.
Earlier, the Government came under strong pressure from MPs on both sides of the House for a debate on the report, with Labour condemning ministers for their failure to act against the "proven liars" now running the House



Hi-tech agitation: Mr Andy Clachers, vice-chairman of the Lothian Anti-Poll Tax Federation, alerts his "scambusters". How activists use the hotlines to mobilize armies of protest

By Kerry Gill and Ray Clancy

A new generation of anti-poll tax shock troops, armed with mobile phones, CB radio sets, and fleets of cars and coaches is poised to move into England as poll-tax agitation

She later faced a 100-strong The so-called "scumcharge as she arrived to give a busters", already a familiar speech in Glasgow at the start feature of the Scottish antipoll tax campaign, are training agritators south of the border Mr Tommy Sheridan, the militant leader of the Antiin their hi-tech tactics. Police are being warned that their Poll Tax Federation, who said: confrontational approach could lead to increased violence, intimidation and civil

where over 42 per cent are With Militant Tendency, The Prime Minister ignored anarchists and other left-wing groups determined to exploit "The militants behind the the protest as her car sped past disgraceful town hall thuggery on its way to the Forum Hotel.

Association last night expelled eight Militant supporters after an inquiry into allegations that they used the mion's printing on Type offices for political purposes. The executive is to question Mr John Macreadie,

of the poll tax, the new tactics imported from Scotland threaten to spark a further round of violent clashes.

a Militant supporter.

Thousands of federation groups in England have mod-elled themselves on the Scottish committees, which are sending activists on lecture tours giving advice on their latest tactics.

Activists at English anti-

poll tax meetings are already outstanding bill. Their aim, in using loudhailers to incite the Scotland and England and crowds as well as "runners" members whose job it is to patrol the fringes of a demonstration gathering up people inclined to disband.

One of the "scumbusters". Tam McLean, an unemployed the shabby surroundings of Edinburgh Trades Council manning a newly installed hotline. He and his colleagues in Scotland, where the tax was introduced a year ago, aim to block any action taken to

recover unpaid debts. Yesterday it was his turn to alert 200 or so shock troops of any imminent attempt by sheriff officers to carry out a poinding - the process by which a debtor's goods are assessed for sale to meet the

Wales, is to make the poll tax

Militants hope that a widespread campaign of non-pay-ment will split the Labour Party, spark violence and bring about the downfall of In the process, lessons of co-

ordination and communication learnt during the miners' strike and the Wapping dispute are given a new edge with sophisticated modern communications equipment The battalions of dem-

onstrators are backed up with CB sets and a fleet of cars that enable them to rush to an address and force sheriff officers back from the doorstep. When the poll-tax bills are Continued on page 20, col 4

Nazis may be tried within two years

By Quentin Cowdry, Home Affairs Correspondent

living in Britain could be extends British jurisdiction to prosecuted in British courts cover war crimes, such as the within two years as a result of legislation introduced by the Government yesterday.

A special investigative squad, probably based at Scot-land Yard, will be set up to mount what is expected to be one of the most expensive and complex criminal inquiries conducted in Britain.

However, with the Bill likely to face stiff opposition from some MPs and peers, ministers have decided that the unit should not start work until legislation is on the statute book.

Introducing the Bill in the Commons, Mr David Waddington, the Home Secretary, indicated that any trials were likely to use of unprecedented court procedures, including the taking of evidence from witnesses in other countries quiry last July.

Suspected Nazi war criminals via live satellite links. The Bill mass murder of civilians, committed in Germany or German-occupied territory during the Second World War by suspects who are now

British citizens. If passed, the Bill would also absolve prosecutors of the

Historic Bill...

need to present evidence at committal proceedings. Instead, cases would be transferred immediately to crown courts for full hearing.

The decision was welcomed by Nazi-hunters at the Simon Wiesenthal Centre in Jerusalem but it received a mixed reception at Westminster.

The Bill would give effect to the principal recommendation of the War Crimes In-

Caring PC gets the public vote

By Stewart Tendler Crime Correspondent

Police support a tough, combative role while the public wants to see policing based on the caring community officer, according to polls taken for a survey commissioned by the police.

The survey gives a warning that traditional policing, bas ed on patrolling constables working closely with their areas, is imperilled by the drive for greater efficiency and value for money.

The 300-page Operational Policing Review was commissioned by the three staff associations representing all ranks of the police in England and Wales. Yesterday their leaders acknowledged that they may have to rethink police strategy, given the

message from the public.

Jaruzelski rebuffs Bonn on borders

From Ian Murray, Bonn, and Michael Binyon, Brussels

future borders with a united ders.

After the Bundestag passed resolution reassuring the Polish people of their right to live within secure borders, Mr Jaruzelski said it was "not fully satisfactory".

The Polish leader said it did not specify the borders to which it was referring, omitted reference to Poland's existing border treaties with East and West Germany and referred to German "legal positions" based on the 1937 borders of

the Third Reich. During a stormy debate on the resolution in the Bundestag, Herr Helmut Kohl, the Chancellor, was accused of lying and stabbing his Foreign Minister, Herr Hans-Dietrich

President Jaruzelski of Poland crete step towards an interlast night rejected Bonn's at-nationally, binding treaty tempt at reassurance on its guaranteeing the present bor-

The Social Democrats and Greens tried unsuccessfully to delete any reference in the full text of the motion to war

Slower pace. David Selbourne. Leading article...

Poland. Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, the SPD leader, said Herr Kohl's behaviour in linking these subjects with the border question had damaged the Chancellor's office as never before.

In Brussels, the Chancellor reassured his Nato allies that Germany would consult constantly with friends and part-Full report, page 5 Genscher, in the back. The ners. Germany was no Leading article, page 13 resolution was the first contogo it alone, he said. ners. Germany was not going

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The World's Most Romantic Adventure

LONDON-PARIS-ZORICH-INNSBRUCK-VENICE

Moscow News is the most outspoken of the Soviet newspapers but its attack on a long-standing Soviet ally could only

On Tuesday, Vremya, the evening

NEWS ROUNDUP

more than 3,000 More than 3,000 people in Britain have developed Aids, including 101 new cases last month, the Department of

Health said yesterday (Thomson Prentice writes). At the end of February there were 3,021 cases, of whom 1,717 have died. Fifty-seven people died of Aids last month. The total number of cases comprises 2,898 males and 123

females, and includes 23 children. An editorial in today's issue of The Lance, the medical journal, says: "Control of the Aids epidemic depends overwhelmingly on reducing the risk of transmission by modifying behaviour."

It supports the national system of anonymous testing of blood samples for antibodies to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), introduced in January, but says that delays in launching the scheme have seriously damaged the control of the disease.

Another editorial in Aids Newsletter, published by the Bureau of Hygiene and Tropical Diseases, says the fact of heterosexual transmission of HIV is incontravertible.

Heysel appeals set

Fourteen Liverpool football supporters convicted by a
Belgian judge after the Heysel standium disaster have been
summoned to appear again before the court in Brussels on
Monday for an appear hearing (Royald Faur writes)

Monday for an appeal hearing (Ronald Faux writes).

The court will hear an appeal against conviction by seven men, and the Belgian prosecutor has entered a counter appeal seeking stiffer sentences. Civil liability and claims for nages by Italian casualties and the families of the 39 who died will also be examined. Ten defendants who were acquitted are seeking damages for wrongful arrest.

BR 'losing £825m'

Persistent poor quality of service costs British Rail up to E825 million a year in lost and threatened revenue, according to an internal report compiled by a team of British Rail managers (Michael Dynes writes). A copy of the report, inadvertently left on a train by a manager, is the first to provide an overall estimate of the possible cost of poor standards of service, which are currently thought to be about one fifth of British Rail's £4 billion turnover.

SLD poll director

Mr Des Wilson, the campaigner for good causes, has been appointed by Mr Paddy Asdown, leader of the Liberal Democrat party, to direct the party's general election campaign (Nigel Williamson writes). Mr Ashdown said at Westminster yesterday that he had appointed Mr Wilson, whose campaigns have included Shelter, the Freedom of Information campaign and Friends of the Earth, for his "professionalism and flair".

Writer threatens show

Dr Maya Angelou, the American author and actress, is considering legal action against the producers of the West End musical King after changes to the script (Simon Tait writes). The musical, based on the life of Martin Luther King, the assassinated civil rights leader, is due to open on April 11 at the Piccadilly theatre. Last night, Mr Peter Wilson, producer of the £2.5 million show, said it would go

Food panel to meet

The Government moved last night to improve its relations with consumer organizations and to disarm criticism of its Food Safety Bill voiced during a second reading debate in the Commons (Michael Hornsby writes). Mr John Gummer, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, announced a series of periodic meetings with leaders of 15 consumer groups "to consider a wide range of complex policy issues", starting next month. Parliament, page 9

Funding the miners' strike

NUM still owes unions £500,000

which helped to sustain its year long strike.

Senior union sources disclosed this estimate yesterday as Mr Arthur Scargill, president, and Mr Peter Heathfield, general secretary, prepare to-day to defend themselves against allegations they used Libyan money meant to relieve hardship among their

members for personal gain. Both men have vigorously denied the allegations and will learn today whether the 15strong executive committee of the union is prepared to back them in mounting libel ac-tions against the Daily Mirror newspaper and Central Tele-

Last night, Mr Ron Todd, general secretary of the Trans-port and General Workers' Union, condemned the "trial by media" which, he said, was contrary to natural justice.

"In common with many others I am proud of the assistance the TGWU gave to relieve hardship among strik-ing miners and their families in the course of that dispute," he said. "The present media

During the dispute, the transport union gave loans actions. South Wales and estimated at £2 million to the Scottish delegate members NUM areas and is still owed at will argue that the union has

Mr Todd and other senior officials of the union are not Labour's spokesman on the pressing the areas for the coal industry, has already immediate return of the called for a full investigation

The National Union of Mine- that since the strike ended the workers still owes more than union's membership, had de-£500,000 to other unions clined dramatically in some

> Some members of the TGWU may question Mr Todd's patience as the union. in common with the NUM, is facing a worsening financial situation. In the year up to last September, the TGWU's deficit was in excess of £2 million. Yesterday, the Daily Mirror

reported that £200,000 lent to the NUM by the Fire Brigades Union had been carried in a cardboard box through a crowded London street before being delivered by car to an NUM flat in the Barbican. The money, it is understood, has since been paid back.

The support of executive members within his Yorkshire heartland means it is unlikely Mr Scargill will have the necessary two-thirds vote against him today which would be required for his

suspension. However, the Yorkshire leaders will still want Mr Scargill to answer in detail the allegations concerning funding from Libya and the Soviet

The executive is likely to be campaign should not be more narrowly split when it allowed to cast a shadow over comes to the question of that solidarity." Mr Heathfield in any libel not been implicated. Mr Kevin Barron, MP,

money as they acknowledge into union accounts.

Anarchists exploit poll tax tension Hardline anarchist groups involved in some of the most violent industrial disputes of the 1980s are planning to exploit anti-poll tax demon-

place outside town halls in an activist's role in a riot. London, according to police. An anarchist manual produced during the print dispute in Wapping, east London, in 1986 detailing ways of sabo-taging police riot tactics is recirculating among activists in the capital.

The 32-page manual, Without a Trace, provides advice on evading police forensic methods and lists radio call signs and codes used by ing out police tactics during a

strations scheduled to take

circulated widely to several violent punk anarchist sects operating in London, details how forensic scientists use blood, glass, textile and dust traces to provide evidence of

The resurfacing of the manual comes in the wake of reports in Scotland that the Militant-dominated Anti-Poll Tax Federation is planning to use mobile squads of activists with CB radios to organize

flying pickets".

A Scotland Yard source said: "The signs are that Trotskyite and anarchist groups are bringing into play all the technical paraphernalis Metropolitan Police districts all the technical paraphernalia and territorial support groups.

The codes are useful in workWapping and during the min-

violence at Wapping.

The groups involved in 1986 included: Class War, which organized the "Bash the Rich" marches in Hampstead and Notting Hill; Flame-thrower, Crowbar, and the Direct Action Movement.

Police at the Wapping dis-pute and at the Broadwater

Reversing charges Farm riot were convinced that

Anarchist groups have been identified at recent anti-poll tax demonstrations at Southampton and Reading.

Police fear that the andisturbance.

The reappearance of hardThe manual, which was line anarchists' groups is olence already seen at antioriginally linked by the Speparticularly disturbing for the poll tax demonstrations this member of Militant's central

All Britzin Anti-Poll Tax

It is clear that many of the most active local anti-poll tax unions are under the control of Militant supporters. They

Basildon APTU, where Mr John McKay, a Militant, holds sway, Grimbsy APTU, which was recently addressed by Mr Gareth Hallberg, a member of Militant's Youth Rights Campaign;

Hull APTU, one of whose leading members is Mr Alastzir Tice, a contributor to the Militant newspaper, Market Harborough APTU, whose secretary is Mr Martin Page, a contributor to

cane anarchist group but was in some of the worst scenes of dence emerged of the extent of whose secretary is Mr Russeli member is Mr Paul Shawcroft Militant's domination of the Taylor, a Militant activist who a long-standing Militant supreported in the organization's newspaper how he had warned off sheriff officers by telling them he could "make a phone

call and very soon a dozen cars would be here sharpish"; Loughborough APTU, which was recently addressed by Mr Phil Daws, a Militant supporter, and which organized a violent demonstration on Monday:

Oldham APTU, whose organizers include Miss Lynn Spence, a Militant supporter, and Mr Bryan Beckingham, an original shareholder in Militant's main company, WIR Publications, and a member of Militant's central

Potteries APTU, where Mr Andy Bentley, a regular Militent contributor, is a prominent member: Swadlincote unionists".

porter who was expelled from the Mansfield Labour Party in

Whitwell APTU, where a prominent member is Mr Ian Whyles, a contributor to Militant; and Wrekin APTU. whose main Militant sup-

porter is Mr Steve Brittain. Many Labour councils which are feeling the brunt of the anti-poll tax demonstrations, are tightening security on their town halis.

Some Labour boroughs ar following the tactics used by Reading council earlier this week in restricting access to the public galleries in town

In Reading, 50 out of the 70 seats available to the public were filled by what one councillor described as "loyal trade

Welsh nationalists Heart baby back to Russia with love



Mrs Elena Abramovich cuddles her son Fyodor yesterday before they return to the Soviet Union after a life-eaving heart

operation at the Hospital for Sick Roy Miles Gallery in Bruton Street, disaster of 1986. At the time she was central London, had made the operation with a possible. Mr Butterwick, who studied in Minsk by his mother last month for the four-hour operation, costing £23,000, plight through a former room-mate. Mrs especially blood disorders.

Patten shake-up of planning will give priority to sensitive areas

planning system is being pre-pared by Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, for legislation in the next session of

Parliament. In an effort to prevent unrestricted development in sensitive areas and to simplify the complex procedures involving the counties and districts, the Government will require district councils to draw up local structure plans.

The two-tier planning system will be changed and the district authorities will be given the main responsibility for drawing up plans. The counties will, however, pro-vide the detailed guidance on which the district plans must be based.

County structure plans could disappear, although Mr Patten appears determined to maintain a greater role for the counties than that envisaged by his predecessor, Mr Nicho-

Mr Patten is understood to have won a slot in the next Bill. It is also expected to outline big changes to the planning appeal system to prevent repetitive applica-tions and frivolous challenges and to improve compensation for people whose properties

A radical shake-up of the lose value because of road, rail the speed with which district ference, meeting in Brighton. and other developments. Although Mr Patten has won the approval of his blamed the delays — often 10 results of 10 years research colleagues for the planning to 15 years — on the drawing into the physical, chemical and biological oceanography

country planning system, proposals for another green Bill in the next session of are charged only for Parliament.

A White Paper on the environment will be pub-lished in September and ministers have not given up hope of including an environmental Some of the paper's proposals may also be possible without legislation.

Mr Patten

The bronze which broke all

records for sculpture when it

sold for £6.8 million at

Sotheby's last December is

now on offer to a foreign buyer

for £7.5 million.

councils have drawn up local

A Department of Environ-

ment consultation paper has suggested a charge of £100 for written appeals by house-holders and £200 for public inquiry appeals. For develop-ments of 50 or more homes, a Mr Patten and his col. £8,000 for public appeals. leagues are dissatisfied with • Most of the wastes that will no longer be dumped in the North Sea after 1998 could be discarded safely in the deepest parts of the mid-Atlantic , according to one of the Gov-

ernment's leading marine biologists (Our Science Editor

The use of the deep oceans allow all year round opera-as an option for disposal of tions and avoid a long-term "bulky but low toxicity accumulation of wastes.
materials", including bulk
sewage sludge, dredging the oceans could be used with
spoils, fly ash, mining tails and various biodegradable of the ocean, no disruption of industrial effluents will be living or non-living marine recommended today by Dr resources and no danger of Martin Angel, to the International Oceanology Condition.

His proposals are contained plans. The councils have in a paper describing the blamed the delays — often 10 results of 10 years research The department is also of abyssal plains, which are considering charging for planning appeals; at present fees seabed at very great depths.

Dr Angel, bead of the biology department at the Institute of Oceanographic Sciences, Wormley, in Surrey, says on average each person in waste a year.

He suggests that when the most dangerous chemical substances are destroyed and radioactive wastes isolated in long-term repositories, the bulk of the remainder could be greater than 3000 metres. But he stressed effluents would have to be piped di-rectly into deep waters.

He proposes three sites each of 50 square miles in the

take stand against community charge

Welsh nationalist councillors £76 more than the Whitehall sparked the first siginificant estimate. as mass demonstrations continued elsewhere in the

The 10 Plaid Cymru coun-cillors on Islwyn Borough Council, which is in Mr Neil Kinnock's constituency, said they would not pay the charge as they wanted to support hundreds of people in the area who cannot afford the tax.

"It is absurd and immoral that a person on a low income should have to pay the same as a millionaire living in the same area," Mr Aneurin Richards, a councillor, said. "By withholding our payment and taking the consequences we can support those who cannot afford to pay."
One hundred Plaid Cymru

members have already formed a "can pay, but won't" vol-untary body to test the legality of the poll tax in the courts. Meanwhile disruption of a

council meeting in Hackney, east London, began hours security measures which included private security guards ers and other staff refused to face of pressure," work on instructions from Mrs Winifred Sopp, a their unions which said board-widow aged 59, said: "None of infringed safety regulations.

saw fire exits bolted. There quite ridiculous, it will go up were guard dogs all over the year after year.

The village is very working place and police and security guards posted outside," a class with a lot of single spokesman for the local gov-

violent demonstrators.

for 10 minutes yesterday were cleared from the public gallery onstrators chanted and shouted outside the town hall, but mean ruin to some peop there were no arrests. The don't think Mrs Thatcher council fixed a charge of £307, really cares," he said.

local authority opposition to There were violent clashes the poll tax in Wales last night in Swindon as police tried to There were violent clashes

prevent protesters from storming the town ball. The council meeting was aban-doned as demonstrators threw eggs and made repeated attempts to breach police lines. The village of Bishop's Green, Hampshire, declared

itself a poll tax-free zone and hundreds of residents signed a houses, believe the £321 poll tax set by Basingstoke and Deane District Council is too poll tax banners as they went

Mr Ron Allan, who runs the village shop, said: "There is no street lighting here, Children have to walk around with torches. The library van calls once a fortnight and then stays for just half an hour.

"We have no cinema, post early when town hall staff office or pubs. The only walked out in protest over rubbish bin in the entire village is in my shop. We are. determined to stick together standing at every exit. Clean- on this, we always do in the

ed-up windows and doors us are going to pay it. I only wish the rest of the country "It was like Fort Knox. We was as resolute. The tax is

parents and people just can't afford it. Many people find it hard to make ends meet. If my husband, who won medak in a husband, who won medak in the measures were taken to protect the building from prison rather than pay." parents and people just can't

• Mr John Strong of Top-Protesters who disrupted a sham, Devon, has sent his meeting of Hull City Council Distinguished Service Medallion, awarded for 25 years' by police. Another 300 dem- Party, back to Mrs Thatcher.

Mass rallies are prime target for recruiters

Militant supporters working murches in Glasgow and for the All Britain Anti-Poll London on March 31. Tax Federation have attempted to recruit ordinary people at protest meetings around the country, in some cases using forceful tactics (Ray Clancy writes).

The animalian have attempted to recruit ordinary from Plymstock, Plymouth, said yesterday she was "disgusted" by their tactics and angry about a front-page interview in this week's Militant The extremists have an-

gered many people who turn up to demonstrate against the poll tax at council meetings by asking for their addresses.

The federation is particu-larly strong on housing estates in Manchester, Liverpool and Glasgow. Its Militant meanbers pursue a plan aimed at Militant, collecting as many signatures More vis collecting as many signatures and recruiting as many new members as possible. Mass meetings are their prime targets. The Militants, flitting from poll tax meeting to meeting, hand out leaflets publicizing the forthcoming it to him."

More vigorous tactics were used by federation activists who tried to recruit Mr Ray Comforth, of Calstock, in Cornwall. "This chap pestered me. He kept asking for my address and eventually I gave it to him."

newspaper which she says she never gave. "It looks as if they have lifted an interview from one of the local papers in

Mirs Biles, who organized a march of 10,000 people last week, said most people did not want to be associated with

US court asks for Sevso files Record-breaking bronze now offered for £7.5m

By Sarah Jane Checkland, Art Market Correspondent

Sotheby's and Lord North- Mr Johnny Abdo, Lebauese the trust or by anyone seeking

into the market-place in mod-

treasure, would have been recorded in embassy archives. However, he said, his staff had failed to turn up any such

licence for any property bear-ing a description similar to the A senior Lebanese diplomat

said yesterday: "As far as our government is concerned, we illegally exported and sunggled from our country. Sotheby's hesitation to show the documents they claim are export licences raises question

The Lebanese have until

SANDER (O/O M by Sarah Jane Checkland Art Market

Correspondent The Government has given British museums two months prices) in the 1950s and it was acquired last December by the London dealer Mr Cyril

After the sale he said: "In my 35 years of dealing this is

the United Kingdom rose 53 Switzerland rose 143 per cent rebuilt. Best known for his Antiques Trade Gazette.

don's continuing role as capital of the world art market. A total £1,864 million worth of art and antiques created 100 years or more ago was exported, while the figure for imports was £1,670 million.

Antique imports from Swit-

zerland rose 39 per cent to £50 Czar Nicholas L. million, while pictures went up 81 per cent to £359 million.

The National Gallery has chase grant of £2.75 million it celebrated recent political has bought the Gaertner, for a Eduard Gaertner, the leading three bequests.

It stood unrecognized in the greatest sculpture on the garden of an elderly couple for 40 years until they submitted it to a Sotheby's sale last autumn.

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per cent last year, according to to £54 million; picture exports panoramic views of Berlin, figures from the Department were £422 million, a 91 per of Trade analysed by the cent rise. age of the Prussian king.

Priedrich Wilhelm III, and of
Czar Nicholas L
As the gallery has already

ing a Berlin street scene by £300,000, with funds from

The Manhattan State Supreme Court has asked them to do so after counter-claims were made by the Lebauese Government about the board the most important to come Sotheby's claims to hold

"We are waiting for surprises," a senior diplomat at "I have been advised and the Lebanese embassy in believe that the records of the Washington said yesterday.

Court papers filed by the reference to any such filing by Thesday to file their response. about £100 (£1,500 at today's antiques flowing in and out of Exports of antiques to at-heel East Berlin, and largely set, yesterday.

ampton must file papers in ambassador, said any request New York today justifying by the Marquess of North-their claim to the \$40 million septon Settlement, the trust which claims ownership of the

export licences issued by the Lebanese embassy in Berne. The Lebanese papers state:

to try to raise the £7.5 million. are claiming these are Lebanese items and have been

The sculpture, of a dancing faun, is by Adrien de Vries, a Humphris.
pupil of the Mannerist sculpAfter the tor Giambologna.

The figures emphasize Lon-

three bequests.

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Historic Bill introduced

ensio War crimes prosecutions could start within two years

An historic Bill paving the tended to war crimes commit- War Crimes Group, which has Britain. Provisions permitting way for the first trials of ted in Germany or Germanalleged Nazi war criminals to be conducted in mainland Britain was introduced in Parliament yesterday. The citizens or reside first prosecutions could start United Kingdon".

within two years. If the legislation is passed, courts face the prospect of hosting trials in which defendants, who could have lived in Britain for more than 40 years and may be in their eighties, will stand accused of war crimes like mass murder. If convicted, they will almost certainly die in jail here.

in view of the age of witnesses and possible defendants the Bill proposes that prosecutions should go thr-ough to full Crown Court hearings, by-passing committal proceedings.

The trials are also likely to see the use of unprecedented

court procedures, including evidence from witnesses abroad by live satellite link. Announcing the Bill yes-terday, Mr David Wadding-ton, Home Secretary, said the Government had acted in response to a Commons vote in Décember in which MPs had agreed that the criminal jurisdiction should be ex-

sons who are now British citizens or resident in the

A special unit, comprising the 300 alleged war criminals who are claimed to have sought refuge in Britain. A government-commissioned inquiry has reported that there is already enough evidence to prosecute three individuals.



He is well versed in the

Mr Elfer said that Knox-

"He wanted to slip the

scripture of one person, one application," counsel said.

when arrested: "I knew what I was doing was wrong and I

bitterly regret it. I am not a deceiful person and I don't know why I did it. I have not

made any money out of this and I have not done any

He added: "All I set out to

do was to get a reasonable amount of shares so I could

invest my money, long term, in a British company. I do not

think that that would be a

Knox-Brown, aged 52, of

Knox-Brown told detectives

Brown knew perfectly well

market of this country."

been campaigning for the law such "letters of request" are to be changed, believes the contained in the Criminal sons who are now Date. immediately and should start eration) Bill, introduced ear-investigations while the Bill is lier this year. being debated.

However, it is understood think such a move would be precipitate. As a result, detailed detective work is only likely to begin next summer at

Mr Waddington indicated that any trials would involve unprecedented court procedures but he said these could be provided either under existing legislation or other Bills now going through Par-liament. The only major clause in the short war crimes Bill, apart from the key one extending British jurisdiction, would be a proposal allowing cases to be transferred to crown court without commit-tal proceedings.

Service is also likely to request spective" legislation is wrong, its counterparts in other countries, such as the Soviet Union uneasy about the prospect of and Israel, to take evidence on its behalf from witnesses too years after old or frail to attend trials in crimes.

Mr Waddington, announcing the plans in a pardetectives, lawyers, inter-preters and historians, is to be stiff opposition the legislation also pointed out that courts already had the power to accept the testimony of people now deceased, in the form of letters or statements.

But he said the Government rejected a proposal made by the war crime inquiry, conducted by Sir Thomas Hetherington, the former Director of Public Prosecutions, and Mr William Chalmers, former Scottish Crown Agent, that archive evidence had to endorsed by oral court

vote, agreed by an unexpectedly large margin of three-to-one that legislation should be introduced. However, some legal experts in the Commons The Crown Prosecution and the Lords think "retropeople being tried so many

Policeman's illegal share applications prosecution, said: "It is per-fectly plain that this is a man who is very interested in shares in public companies.

terday found guilty of making unlawful multiple applica-tions for shares in British Gas and Rolls-Royce.

Clive Knox-Brown, aged 52, an officer in the Greater Manstock market and in the share chester Police force, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment suspended for two that he was only entitled to years and was fined £8,000 make one application for and ordered to pay £10,000 shares in each flotation. costs. He had been suspended from his job since last year.

He was told by Judge Michaci Anwyll-Davies, QC, at Southwark Crown Court: "It is indeed sad to see a person of your attainments and standing in society and your high position in the police force losing your reputation for honesty and integrity for all time. That, I know is a great

Knox-Brown used two of his sergeants, their families, and his next-door neighbours as "puppets" in his scheme to obtain thousands of shares to which he was not entitled, the criminal offence."

Knox-Brown made six app-Gas and 12 for shares in Rolls- of four sample charges of

Mr David Elfer, QC, for the applications.

Late call to witness stops assault trial

A judge fiercely attacked the alerting Mr Lenthorne that be Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) after assault charges against two young men were thrown out yesterday because the alleged victim, a key witness, was not told about the trial until 1 o'clock that morn-

But it was later claimed that warning a witness was not the CPS's responsibility.

Mr Barry Lenthorne, aged 36, was telephoned early yes-terday morning and asked to attend court. He could not do so because it was too late to arrange cover for his job as a pierman at Tower Bridge. The judge, assistant re-corder Mr Barrington Black

criticized the CPS for leaving it so late. He refused to allow the case at Southwark Crown Court to be adjourned.

The judge said: "It is no fault of the witness. It is entirely the fault of the support unit of the CPS. For them to rely on an officer on night duty to inform the witness is

Knox-Brown made six app- Chiltern Drive, Oldham, However, Mr Paul Glover, lications for shares in British Lancashire, was found guilty of the CPS, said the police were responsible for warning making illegal multiple share witnesses. The normal procedures had been followed in tion offered no evidence.

was to appear in court, he said. "He was warned by police three weeks ago. A letter told him the case was coming up in a set two week period.

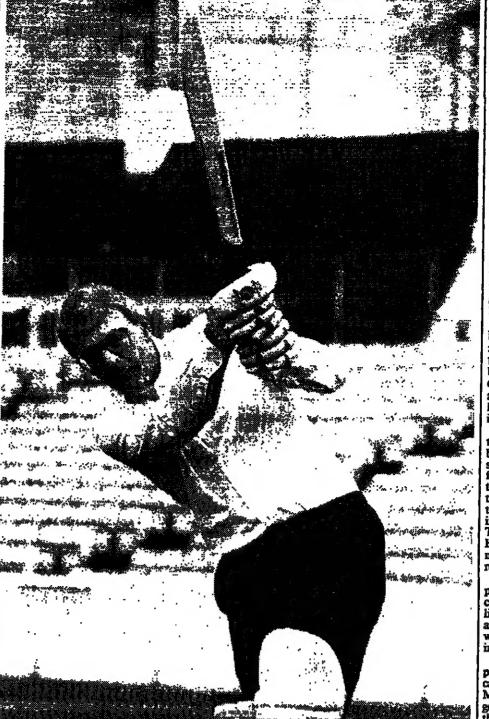
"Last night they made at-tempts to phone him throughout the evening. Then they got a home telephone number and got him at the time he said." Mr Glover added: "Warnings to witnesses is not a function performed by the

A Scotland Yard spokes-man said: "We do not give up. If they are not in earlier we haven't got any option but to phone in the early hours of the

"We are phoning them in the hope of setting the case heard. We haven't the resources to get an officer to their doorstep.

Mr Timothy Shaw, aged 21, British Telecom engineer of Lower Kingswood, Surrey, and Mark Still, aged 22, a panel beater of Croydon, south London, were cleared of charges of assault causing

When the judge refused to adjourn the case the prosecu-



A break from stonewalling

John Major showed his skill as a cricketer yesterday for the first time in 25 years. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, who is patron of Surrey's 1990 Youth Cricket Year, was promoting the cause at the Oval, where he first watched Surrey at the age of nine. He took off his jacket, domed pads, borrowed Ian Greig's bat and began to thump the Surrey captain's much you have missed," he said afterwards.

bowling as though he had never stopped playing. After hitting a few off drives he was told by Greig: "Here's one you can put through the covers". The Chancellor put it exactly where invited. Mr Major had not played cricket since breaking a leg in a car accident

Conflict over new ruling on radio and TV lists

Television magazines with detailed programme listings are set to boom after an announcement by the Government last night on how it will break up the Radio Times and TV Times duopoly.

The BBC, ITV and new satellite broadcasters will have to provide information about television and radio output to anyone wanting to start up a listings magazine.

But a dispute is likely to begin over how much magazine publishers should pay for the information and there will be conflict between broadcasters and companies, such as News International, which have television and publishing interests.

A new government clause to the Broadcasting Bill says broadcasters will be obliged to supply information about future programme schedules to magazine publishers. If there is a disagreement over the price to be paid for such information the Copyright Tribunal will adjudicate. However, the tribunal is re-nowned for its slowness in reaching decisions.

Until disagreements over payment are resolved, broadcasters will have to supply listings information but magazine publishers will decide what price to pay for the

The bias in favour of publishers has annoyed broad-casting chiefs, including Mr Michael Checkland, director general of the BBC. "This is the market philosophy turned on its head," he told a recent conference.

A discussion paper on the issue published yesterday by BBC Enterprises, the corporation's sales wing, suggested the BBC should charge magazine publishers a percentage royalty on the revenues of publications taking listings.

Mr Michael Grade, chief executive of Channel 4, last night described the Government's proposals as "unfair and against the spirit of true competition".

"We will be obliged to hand over our programme schedule to publishers who have a competing broadcasting interest," he said.

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The Guinness trial

Saunders 'convicted' in his absence Reform 'should not make divorce easy'

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Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, yesterday said that in reforming the laws on divorce it should not be made too easy for married couples to break up.

"One wants to have a law of divorce which reinforces the institution of marriage, which I believe is a fundamental institution in our society," he

The break-up of marriage, he added, was accompanied "damaging consequences" for children of the marriage. "Of course marriages are

sometimes sadly broken by death and one partner is left to bring up the children.

"But I am thinking of the break-down of the rela- ing couples to face the con-

His comments come as the Law Commission works on a draft Bill together with its final report reforming the law on divorce, expected in the The recommendations,

Lord Mackay said, were inextricably linked with the future of conciliation services, which aimed to help divorcing couples to sort out disputes over children, money and property without bitterness. Lord Mackay suggested that

if the law was reformed to remove the element of fault as is widely expected — there would more obviously be a marriages broken as a result of role for conciliation, in help-

tionship between those who sequences of their proposed arrangements for the future, started with the high expecta- break-up. He believes that with the children as a priority. tion for the continuation of otherwise it would be "instituthe relationship as long as they tional hypocrisy" to have a system which required proof of fault on divorce, provoking "recriminations between the parties", and then contained schemes aimed at removing the conflict from the process.

> 1988 the Law Commission proposed divorce would be automatic after a fixed period so that spouses would not have to allege fault or prove irretrievable breakdown. The commission itself em-

proposals would not be quicker or easier. In many cases the process

would take longer than at present, and might be harder in that couples would be encouraged to make practical

The two options for reform are a fixed period of separation or - the option favoured by the commission - a process "divorce over time", in which all practical arrangements about home, money or children would be wrapped up In its working paper in June in a fixed period of perhaps 12 months.

The principle behind the working paper (which aimed to remove recriminations and the whole basis of fault) would seem to be "more in line with a conciliation service having a phasizes that divorce under its role than perhaps the present system". Lord Mackay said.

His views will give encouragement to the various conciliation schemes, whose future is uncertain until a decision is reached on reforms to the divorce laws.

Ernest Saunders was "tried board reversed the decision, just been elected acting chairand convicted" without a Mr Saunders was dismissed hearing by the Guinness board the same day. in the wake of the Distillers takeover, a court was told vesterday.

He was stripped of his position and of financial assistance promised to help him to clear his name, without being given a chance to explain nimself, Southwark Crown Court was told.

Mr Victor Steel, former managing director of Guin-ness Brewing Worldwide, said that after Mr Saunders stepped down as chairman and chief executive pending a Department of Trade and Industry investigation into the £2.7 billion takeover, an executive meeting agreed to provide help and resources so he could vindicate his pos-

Mr Saunders; Gerald Ron-

International; Sir Jack Lyons the financier, and Anthony Parnes the stockbroker deny 24 counts of theft, false accounting and breaches of the Companies Act in respect of the 1986 takeover battle with the Argyll supermarket chain for control of Distillers.

Mr Richard Ferguson, QC, for Mr Saunders, said: "You stripped the man not only of his position, but of financial assistance " Mr Steel replied: "The board took the view that in no alleged illegal share tactics.

way could it make an open-Mr Saunders."

ition. But five days later, the Norman Macfarlane, who had

man of Guinness, had prompted the board to make the decision to cut off Mr son, the chairman of Heron Saunders's finance. Mr Steel said: "I think so."

Mr Ferguson: "This, at a stage where the board had not even had Mr Saunders before them to ask him to give an explanation on the allegations made against him?"

Mr Steel, now a director of Roux." the retail company Kingfisher, replied: "Yes."

Mr Steel said that Mr Saunders was not treated equally with Mr Olivier Roux, the former finance director who admitted involvement in Mr Ferguson asked Mr ended commitment to support Steel: "Why was Mr Saunders Ar Saunders." not given at least parity of Mr Ferguson asked if Sir treatment with Mr Roux?"

Mr Steel replied: "I cannot

Asked whether he was con-

cerned about collusion, he

inquiry being made on my behalf ... Certainly this is a

matter that has taken up a

Ferguson went on: "The impression I got is that really Mr Saunders had been tried and convicted so far as the board was concerned." Mr Steel replied: "I can only

say that the board had decided to ask Mr Saunders to step down pending an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the letter from Olivier He was referring to the letter

from Mr Roux to Sir Norman and others which included allegations about the running of the company at the time of the takeover bid,

Mr Steel earlier described Mr Saunders as "a strong leader, very determined. aggressive for the growth of the business and dedicated to the growth of the company". The case continues today.

Inquiry into Oxford student's 'sex romp'

By Sam Kiley, Higher Education Reporter

barred from running summer school programmes for visiting undergraduates after do with complaints against the allegations that he had sexual intercourse with a stadent during a midnight swim in the river Cherwell

The man, who is still at the university, has also been accused of kissing and sexually a boating trip while he was incidents. working as an administrator at the summer school based in New College.

The university proctors are investigating the allegations but said in a letter to Ohio State that while sexual intercourse did apparently take place the allegations did not amount to rape, "at least so far . as English law is concerned". At one point the 39-year-old

man was interviewed by Oxford police but no charges were This year's visit to Oxford

Oxford University said that the cancellation had nothing to student. The allegations centre on a

five-week stay by 35 liberal arts students last July and harassing other girls from fairs, Mr Charles Hermann, Ohio State University and of wrote asking for a formal taking part in a naked romp on investigation of the alleged

said: 'It is our understanding that sexual intercourse took place in only one case and that the allegation was not one of rape, at least so far as English law is concerned".

student after the complaints.

A university spokeswoman said: "A complaint has been received from Ohio State looking into it and are not by Ohio State University stu- prepared to make a statement deats to attend a general arts until the inquiry is over".

John Stevens, deputy chief "loyalist" attack in which a Wednesday night called yes-An RUC spokesman rebutthe security forces.

Mr Tony McCaughey, aged 31, and Mr Colm Duffy, aged 22, managed to escape when two masked gunmen opened fire from a car as they walked along Kilmaine Street in Lurgan, Co Armagh.

31, an unemployed dumper truck driver and a prominent republican, who served six years in jail between 1976 and 1982 for terrorist offences, died instantly after being hit in the head. The three men had been returning from reporting to Lurgan police station in accordance with privately agreed bail conditions in connection with charges of possessing ammunition.

A widow from Northern Ireland yesterday lost the latest round of her legal battle to force Royal Ulster Constabulary

The House of Lords allowed an appeal by Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, the Attorney General, against a ruling won by Mrs Eleanor McKerr at the Northern Ireland Court of Appeal in December 1988. The Northern Ireland Court of Appeal said a coroner's rule that the three officers could not be compelled to give evidence was unlawful. One of the cidents gave rise to allegations of a "shoot to kill" policy.

Mrs McKerr, from Lurgan, Co Armagh, has been calling for the officers referred to as Sergeant A and Constables

officers must have assisted the between the security forces himself in further major ingunmen. They said the affair and "loyalist murder gangs" should be investigated by Mr were groundless.

Sources close to the Stevens team said it was unlikely the murder would be investigated by them. It did not have the characteristics of a crime mer- Dublin, gave indirect backing iting their attention, and no to the growing clamour about request had been made by the the murder among Sinn Fein RUC for it to be examined.

vestigations which would de- Secretariat. lay completion of his report and the conclusion of his

inquiry later this month.

Mr Gerard Collins, the Irish Foreign Minister, speaking in politicians, calling it "wasteful It is thought that Mr Ste- and senseless" and disclosing

considerable amount of our

attention in recent times and. of course, all allegations are matters of concern".

Widow loses battle over officers' evidence

The rule required that "a person about talking to Stevens."
uspected of causing the death, or who
In response, the RUC has been charged or is likely to be last night that Mr Marshall charged with an offence relating to the was a well-known republican

few exceptions, every person was a address had been published in competent witness and could therefore be the press.

Mrs McKerr said she was bitterly shooting had taken place "outdisappointed by the decision, but pro- side the police station". Mr posed taking the case to the European Court of Human Rights.

Law report, page 34 any other murder.

on it from the Anglo-Irish bail conditions requiring them to report twice weekly to Lurgan RUC were known only to police, a murder so close to the police station said: "This will be part of the could not have been carried out without the police knowing in advance.

They said that all three had been under constant police surveillance recently, and that a red Maestro car which they claimed followed them on Wednesday night belonged to the police. "We believe this red Mae-

stro was a police car," Mr Duffy said. "We want Stevens to carry out the investigations. and to come up with some answers as to who owned it. We have absolutely no qualms

In response, the RUC said convicted of terrorist offences.

The statement denied the Marshall's murder would be investigated as impartially as

A postgraduate student at course has been cancelled, Oxford University has been although a spokeswomen for

August. After their return home Ohio State's acting viceprovost for international af-In their reply the proctors

The Oxford University department of external affairs dismissed the postgraduate

University. The proctors are

Security forces 'colluded with terrorists'

By Edward Gorman

Irish Affairs Correspondent Two men who survived a man was shot dead on terday for the Stevens inquiry to investigate what they claim was a classic example of a murder carried out by terrorists acting in collusion with

Mr Samuel Marshall, aged officers involved in her husband's shooting seven years ago to give evidence at his

Yesterday Mr McCaughey and Mr Duffy said they had no confidence in a Royal Ulster Constabulary murder investigation and claimed police

constable of Cambridgeshire, who is completing a fivemonth inquiry into allegations of collusion between members of the security forces and Protestant paramilitaries.

ted the men's claims and said that all allegations of collusion vens is reluctant to embroil that he had asked for a report

> By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent B and C - to be called as witnesses. Mr James Elliott, the Armagh coroner, decided at the opening of the inquest in November 1988 to admit written statements from the officers but not to call them to give other evidence.

one of three men killed in a shooting incident in Craigavon, Co Armagh, in November 1982. Lord Goff said yesterday that it was "undisputed" that "they were killed by shots fired by members of the Royal

Mrs McKerr's husband, James, was

Ulster Constabulary". The three officers were tried and acquitted of the murder of one of the three victims, Engene Toman, before the inquest on Mr McKerr opened.

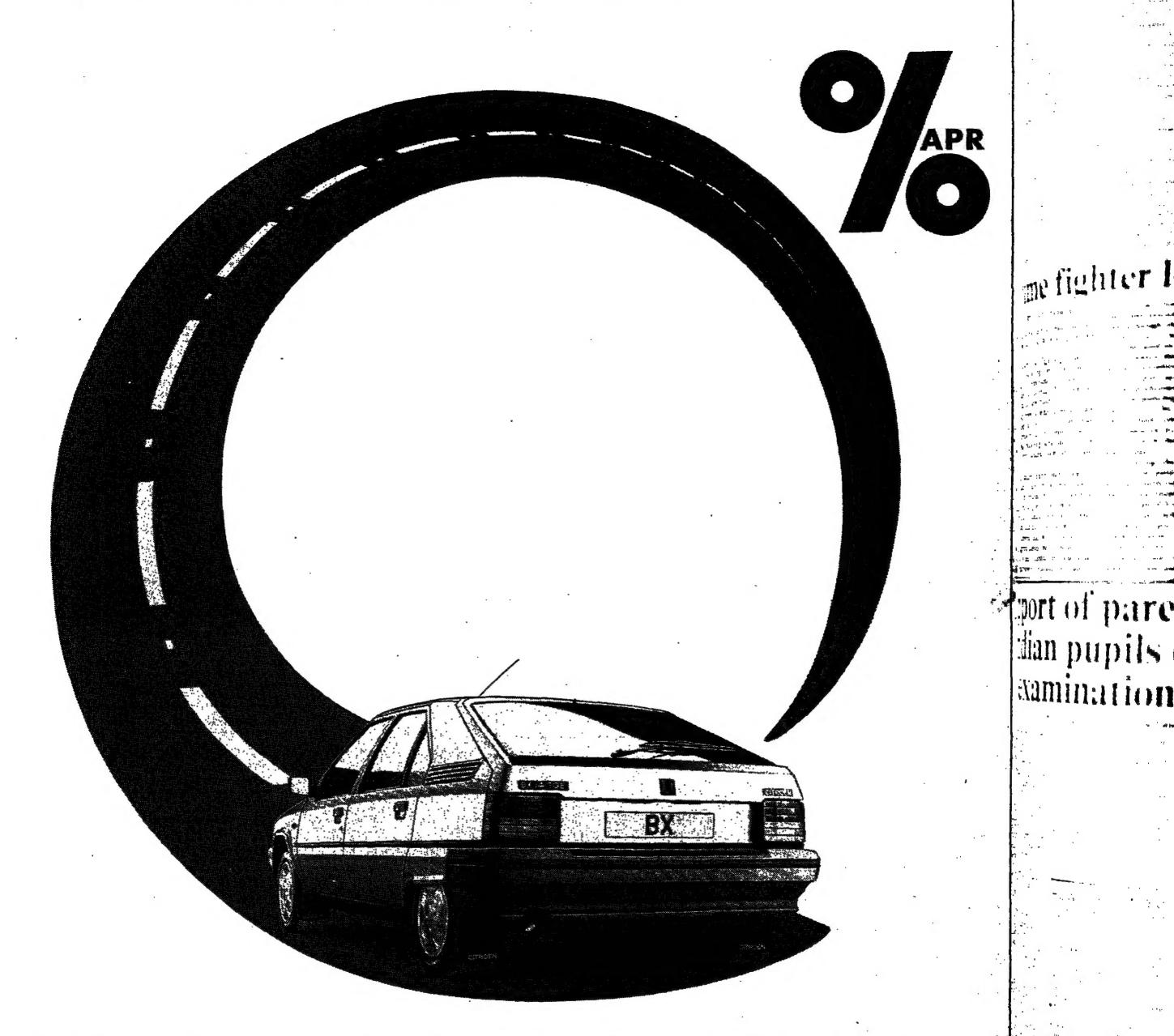
The appeal turned on the legality of one of the rules introduced more than 25.

years ago by the Northern Ireland Ministry of Home Affairs to regulate practice and procedure in Northern Ireland coroners' courts.

death" shall not be compelled to give in Lurgan who had been evidence at an inquest. The Court of Appeal said it was a well- was facing further terrorist established principle of law that, with a charges, and whose name and

compelled to give evidence.

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Survey shows efficiency drives are destroying traditional ideas of service

Police 'out of touch with public's aims'

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Correspondent

based on the patrolling constable working with the consent of the public, has been eroded substantially and perhaps irrevocably by drives for Policing Review, found that greater efficiency and value

The 300-page report, produced jointly by the three police staff associations representing all ranks, spares neither police nor Government in showing that many officers are seriously out of touch with public demands, chasing the mage of the "crime buster" when the public wants to see a caring community officer.

Too much money is spent on wages while too little goes on buildings and equipment. The police have no general statement of purpose, little information from Government for long-term budget planning and do not properly use modern technology such as

A Harris Research Centre poll carried out for the survey showed 86 per cent of the Mr Alan Eastwood, chair-public and 80 per cent of man of the Police Federation, police consultative group said: "The policeman on the members questioned saw beat has got to take prece-

Traditional British policing, priorities. The public thought more officers should work on foot while the police thought the current ratios were right. The survey, Operational

many recent moves towards for money, according to a efficiency were in danger of survey published yesterday.

destroying the "service" ethos of policing making the pub-lic's hopes even more difficult to achieve. Other policies, generated by the Home Office to save money and to modernize ways of calculating the

need for more manpower, in

themselves waste manpower. The survey makes 36 recommendations; it calls on the police to warn the public and Government of their problems, urging all forces to re-examine priorities and to develop a formal national policy-making group to speak for the whole service.

Yesterday, as the survey, one of the most wide-ranging police research projects for 30 ears, was launched, police leaders accepted that they may have to rethink attitudes.

THE PUBLIC VIEW

Question: Below is a selection of types of offences. Which five offences do you think the police should spend most time and energy trying to fight?

Sexual assaults on women Burglary of people's houses 64% Drunk driving ... Vandalism/damage to property 46%

Robberies (with violence) in street .. 44% Crimes in which firearms are used . 41% Use of heroin or other hard drugs .. 39% Theft of/theft from motor cars 31% Flahting/rowdyism in the streets 26% Litter/rubbish lying around 17% Use of cannabis/pot/marijuana 16% Parking/general traffic offences 14%

Bag-snatching/pick-pocketing ____ 12%

Noisy parties/domestic disturbances 7%

and adapt and change to what easily measurable 'quality of culties and risks of following the public wants — a more service' aspects of day-to-day one policy so devotedly that sympathetic police officer."

Racial attacks ...

Mr John Dellow, deputy commissioner of the Metro-politan Police and president of the Association of Chief Police Officers, said: "The pursuit of value for money tends to concentrate resources



Concentrating on police tasks which can be measured easily might jeopardize traditional policing and lose the consent of the public in the process, he said,

The police might have seen some of the pitfalls of policies

you exclude anything else".

The survey defined tra-ditional policing as low on high on accountability. trated by the "single con-

activities or deployment. stable, close to his communi-

powers and his use of discretion". Pressures for greater efficiency had eroded the concept and practice of traditional policing yet the public placed the concept higher in their

THE POLICE VIEW

The survey was divided into six areas of research organized by individual forces. Examin-

preferences than other police

1974, when the present force areas were created, police resources have increased by 60 per cent, including 55 per cent since 1979 under the present

Police strength has risen by 22 per cent since 1974 and establishments by 9 per cent; police pay has been above average earnings. However the research showed the manpower gains were absorbed by new work demands such as

Northumbria police looked at efficiency and effectiveness and found that while police were meeting value for money demands they were also was ing manpower trying to find arguments for extra officers. There was a danger of "paralysis by analysis".

The Home Office had encouraged greater use of civilians but poor pay and a lack of a career structure had helped to create a wastage rate of 28 per cent. A policy intended to save money could prove very expensive.

The Home Office said yesterday that it was too early to comment on the study, but many of the recommendations supported initiatives already under discussion.

The Association of County

members questioned saw beat has got to take prece-crime prevention as an im-dence in the thinking of all crime prevention as an imdence in the thinking of all into measurable areas, but the portant function while police ranks. The police service has survey shows that the public earlier, he said; the survey consent of the public and placed this lower in their got to learn from our report also values highly the less "exposes some of the diffi- armed only with his lawful portant function while police ranks. The police service has ing demands and resources Sussex police found that since Crime fighter losing support to helpful officer on the beat

The pelice and public are at odds in how they view good pelicing, according to two opinion polls.

Policemen believe that fighting crime by strong positive policing will be more effective than by community strategies. The public wants the helpful officer on the beat rather than the law enforcer.

The opposing views of what a policeman should be doing in the 1990s emerged when 1,085 members of the public were questioned about policing and more than 2,000 officers were asked how they saw

Overall, the police have more public support than many other recent polls have suggested but the research also showed evidence of a disturbing level of low morale among junior police ranks created by bad management and shortages of resources.

The surveys showed that while the public and the police agreed about police priorities they differed on what should be done and on crime prevention and community polic-ing although that changes as they rise in rank. They believe efforts should be oncentrated on offences that can be solved. The public does not accept that and seeks

The report says: "The public have a very strong preference for the caring community style of policing rather than the firm law enforcer... The public fully support the law enforcement role but would wish it to be implemented by the officer who involves bimself with the community and uses his

Assessing the present public attitudes Assessing the present public attracts towards the police, the survey found that 77 per cent believed they were doing a good job. Those responding that the job done was very good were 18 per cent, fairly good, 59 per cent, rather poor, 16 per cent and very poor, 3 per cent. A further 3 per cent had a contained

The survey was taken before the Guildford four case last October, which raised serious questions about policing and the police, the survey found the public placed sexual assaults against women top of the list with 67 per cent; burglary of homes, 64 per cent; drink-driving, 55 per cent; vandalism, 46 per cent; violest street

• Police place less emphasis on community policing

robbery, 44 per cent; crimes with guns, 41 per cent; use of hard drugs, 39 per cent; autocrime, 31 per cent; rowdyism and street fighting, 26 per cent; litter, 17 per cent; cannabis see, 16 per cent; traffic offences, 14 per cent; hag snatching and pick-pocketing, 12 per cent; racial attacks, 12 per cent; and noisy parties or domestic trouble, 7 per cent.

There was a strong case for more officers on foot and the survey found that only three out of 10 had seen a policeman on the beat in their area in the previous week. Many ole thought the police relied too much on vehicles and 70 per cent wanted as many the four top police tasks were responding to 999 calls, detecting and arresting offenders, investigating crime and foot patrols.

The survey showed the public felt there were already enough resources for the law enforcement role represented by the first three and more should be done for less reactive policing. It found most people would like to see a more localized and preventive style of policing".

The police survey showed overall morale was satisfactory but there was potentially very disturbing evidence about levels of morale in the lower ranks, showing that 43 per cent of constables regarded morale as very low. When officers were questioned about the reasons behind this 30 per cent blamed poor management and 24 per cent spoke of a lack of resources.

Police felt that burglary of bomes should have the highest priority with 82 per cent support. This was followed by 62 per cent for mugging; sex attacks on women, 50 per cent; crime with guns, 48 per cent; hard drugs, 47 per cent; street disturbances, 45

per cent; antocrime, 45 per cent; drink-driving, 41 per cent; vandalism, 38 per cent; bag snatching, 9 per cent; racial attacks, 8 per cent; traffic, 6 per cent; cannabis, 6 per cent; litter, 2 per cent; and noisy parties or estic problems, 1 per cent.

Additional manpower should go on more foot patrols but these should act against crime rather than crime prevention or community liaison.

More than half the officers were in favour of an independent complaints investigation system and more than three out of five were against a national police force. Three-quarters were in favour of more pational police units but 60 per cent were against the creation of special riot police; 86 per cent were in favour of guns being issued only to highly trained maits rather than a wider range of officers.

The research included a survey of 387

members of police consultative commi which supported many of the public findings. Overall 90 per cent of the committee members felt the police were doing a good or fairly good job

Conflict on poll tax foreseen in 1990s

By Our Crime Correspondent

The community charge and a possible high rate of evasion in paying it are seen as potential policing areas in the

Predictions on changes in the new decade drawn up by a police team also show that a society where there is a widening gap between rich and poor will lead to an increase in demands from the police, a proportion of whom will themselves feel alienated.

Terrorism and drug problems will increase, helped by the relaxation of EC frontiers, and police may find themselves enforcing anti-pollution laws as the green lobby grows. An influx of Hong Kong refueces could also bring fresh racial discord.

The predictions are made in survey of the 1990s drawn up by officers from Avon and Somerset police for the operational policing review put together by the three associations representing the police service. The review notes that the research has to be speculative and is open to criticism.

The forecast suggests that the Government will continue to look for savings in public spending and the police will continue to be pressed to give more value for money, which may reduce their ability to provide a preventive or ser-

There could also be changes in the organization of the police at a national or regional level and there could be increased centralization to meet the threat from national and international crime.

The survey notes that future social trends offer a mixed bag of possibilities for the police. Fewer young people will reduce crime but make recruiting more difficult. A mild economic recession might also reduce some crimes but a full blown recession could lead to imprecedented tension.

The police may face fresh and sometimes harsh decisions on policing. The service in the 21st century may be more cost-effective but less rooted to the people.

Support of parents puts Indian pupils on top of examination league

By David Tytler, Education Editor

lished yesterday after an analysis of the examination results of 20 000 children and support them in the same way." results of 20,000 children.

London Education Authority (Ilea) says Indian children are given more encouragement by their parents while teachers expect too little from Caribbean and white working-class children. As a result Indians are far in front in a table of GCE O level and CSE

It says parents from other backgrounds, including white working-class families, could learn from the Indian tradition of setting goals and supporting their children's education. Children with Caribbean

and Bangladeshi backgrounds join the English, Welsh and Scots at the bottom of the table. Children of Pakistani and south-east Asian origin, mainly Vietnamese and Chinese from Hong Kong, were among the high-fliers.

tics for Ilea, said there was a wide gap between the highscoring Indian and low-scoring white children. "We know that many families of Indian background have very high aspirations for their children. They want them to enter the professions, like law and medicine."

The parents were often from a high social class, including many of those Indian families expelled from Uganda in the

Indian children do much better that all score of 14 for boys and 18.2 parents would expect as much for girls, although girls did slightly better in single-sex schools than they did in mixed

children from English, Scot-The report by the Inner tish and Welsh backgrounds were seen to be doing even worse when other social factors were taken into the

"It does not surprise me that Indian children have

HOW THEY RATED Average examination scores 1987 (O level grade A, 7 points; grade B, 6 points; grade C and CSE grade 1, 5 points):

Indian 22.8; European (Italian, Spanish, east European) 22.5; Pakistani 20.6; South-east Asian (Chinese, Viet-namese, Hong Kong) 18.8; Greek 18.5; Irish 18.2; Other white (US, New Zealand, Australia) 18.1; African 17.6; Arab 16.8; Other black 16.0; English, Scots, Welsh 15.7; Caribbean 14.3; Turkish 13.1; and Bangladeshi 9.9.

Average score 16.1

He said too many white working-class parents had low expectations for their children which were then reinforced by schools. "Some teachers do not expect enough from under-achieving groups. They expect working-class children and Caribbean children not to do well. The stereotype then becomes a self-fulfilling

schools. The survey also showed that

Church of England schools were no more successful than state schools, while Roman Catholic schools achieved higher scores, probably because teachers and parents were more committed to working together to improve children's education.

The report from Ilea, which will hand over responsibility for education to the London boroughs on April 1, also says some schools can handle particular pupils better than others. "One school may be particularly effective for students who are above average on entry while another may work better for students who are below average on entry. Students from one ethnic group may thrive more in one school than another."

The table was compiled from an analysis of the 1987 results for those aged 16 sitting Professor Desmond Nuttall, done so well, but it does the final year of the old CSE director of research and statistions, now replaced by the GCSE. The final returns were based on 116 of the 141 secondary schools in inner London with 18,314 pupils.

> The average score for all pupils was 16 points. Most English, Scots and Welsh children - half of the sample - scored just below average, with Caribbean children scoring about 14 and Bangladeshis between nine and 10. Indian In every case girls did better children scored up to 23 or 24.

Veterans prepare return to Dunkirk



miracle in Britzin's history will be commemorated with pride and emotion during the spring bank boliday weekend in May, when more than 3,000 veterans and their families will eather on the beaches of Dunkirk.

ing from the armada which rescued 350,000 troops from guns will set sail for the French coast, accompanied by 300 to 600 other craft assembled by the Cruising

and on the morning of May 27

Singapore judiciary, but the judges or the state of Singa-

pore's legal system and that

the newspaper failed to pub-

Mr Levin's column was

lish a balancing letter.

yesterday.

foreshore, when a wreath will be dropped amid the flotilla by

a helicopter from the frigate HMS Alacrity. Yesterday, on a smlit spring morning at the National Army Museum, in Chel-sea, General Sir Edward Burgess, president of the Royal British Legion, launch-

> changed the course of history. "Those who fought for Britain in the Second World War are now reaching an age where their war wounds and 20,000 people were qualified The telephone number is experiences are taking their as life members, and many of the appeal is 0839 800 999.

event which may well have

would be used to provide a 70 Country, as a place of peace and tranquillity for those approaching the closing years

A suggestion that this might be the last Dankirk commemoration was refuted by sprightly veterans, who regard themselves as youngsters compared with those who still make pilgrimages to the battlefields of the Pirst World War. Mr Jim Horton, honorary

general secretary of the Dunkirk Veterans Association, said that it has 7,000 active members.

Altogether an estimated

tell," he said. The money those were now coming forward to offer their services and to 80-bed home in the West to rejoin their former As a "medic" in 141 Field

Ambulance, he tended the wounded during the evacuation. He described it as a horrific experience but said he had forgotten the bad things. "One remembers the good things, and the comradeship that has endured."

The memorial home appeal is administered by the Royal British Legion in association with the Royal Naval Association, with the support of the **Dunkirk Veterans Association** and the Association of Dunkirk Little Ships.

Contempt case given go-ahead

The Attorney General, Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, was given leave by the High Court yesterday to bring contempt proceedings against The Sport newspaper over an article it published during the hunt for David John Evans, who was later convicted of murdering a

schoolgirl. Sir Patrick alleged that publication of the article in November 1988, headlined "Evans was given 10 years for rape", constituted a grave contempt in that it was intended or calculated to interfere with imminent criminal proceedings against Evans and in any event was likely to prejudice a fair trial. The article appeared five days before Evans's arrest in France.

No short cut

Gary Reweastle, aged 20, of Barnard Castle, Durham, who was sacked by Safeway supermarkets for refusing to have his hair cut, was awarded £500 for unfair dismissal by an industrial tribunal yesterday.

Police accused Civil proceedings for unlawful arrest and detention have been launched against the Metropolitan Police on behalf of 24 Sikhs, after arrests in May 1987 at a Sikh temple in

Beivedere, Kent. Heavy metal Thieves have taken nine tons of metal ingots from a British Steel plant at Port Talbot.

West Glamorgan. Karpov wins

The former world champion Anatoly Karpov (Soviet Union) beat Jan Timman (The Netherlands) in the first game of the world candidates' chess final in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Gunman jailed

Raymond Bennett, aged 37, of Middlesbrough, Cleveland, who shot a shopkeeper in the back and paralysed him for life, was jailed for 17 years.

15p mugging A mugger stole 15p from a pregnant woman in Walsall after punching her and attacking her daughter aged two.

School fire Fire badly damaged a comprehensive school in Barking, east London, yesterday.

Ban on pin-ups Topless pictures and calendars are to be banned from all Weish Office departments.

Advertising ban challenged By Our Education Editor

A Labour county council is to face High Court action over a damages. decision not to advertise for teachers in The Times Educational Supplement.

Mr Justice Schiemann, sitting in London, granted Mrs Pauline Latham, a Derbyshire councilion the supplement; News International, and Times Newspapers leave to seek judicial review of the

Mrs Latham, a parent and They are seeking a court order year. Mrs Latham, of Little

They allege the council withdrew its advertising from the supplement because of two articles in The Sunday Times critical of Mr David Bookbinder, the Labour council leader. It is claimed the move came after Derbyshire's ruling Labour group resolved to withdraw all advertising in decision last December to stop newspapers owned by Mr Ru-

advertising in the supplement. pert Murdoch's News Group. The education committee school governor, and the decided in December to move national advertising from The newspaper group claim the national advertising from The council exceeded its legal powers in authorizing the move. ment to The Guardian for a

quashing the decision, and Eaton, Derby, and the newspaper group allege that this was a "sham" based solely on the Sunday Times articles, and that advertising in The Guardian would prove more expensive and reach fewer teachers. The council is accused of

> terms of the Education Acts of 1944 and 1986. It is alleged that, although the council has not made any official decision to stop advertising in all Murdoch newspapers, it is following such a policy and damaging the ability of Derbyshire to attract top quality

> acting unlawfully under the

Mr Jim Horton and Mr Tom Noyce, Dunkirk veterans, at the Against All Odds exhibition at the National Army Museum. will parade through the town. In the afternoon a memorial service will be held on the The fiftieth anniversary of "a

Some 70 boats still survived a £6 million appeal to build a home for the aged and needy among the survivors of an

The veterans will be guests of the French Government,

Complaint on Levin article rejected Times and The Guardian were and dedication. He said he orously critical article about Bernard Levin was entitled to write a vigorously critical article in The Times about the

pore would have been entitled ing about an earlier article. Referring to the "increasing editor to publish the letter. Mr megalomania of Singapore's Michael Hoy, the managing perpetual ruler, Lee Knan editor, told him it was not to reply if they had sought to, the Press Council said The council rejected a complaint by Mr David Marshall, his placemen. The most of Place de l'Avenue Foch, Paris, a former chief minister shocking case of perverted justice was the one which of Singapore and now one of its ambassadors, that the artiprovoked the advertisements. cle was a gravely damaging and unfair attack on Singa-Proceedings had been rigged

decision on the case of a of the Singapore Government lawyer, Ben Jeyaretnam. Marshall said the article was a grossly unfair attack on a fine headed "A lively trade in vilification". He said adverbody of men who served Sing-

its entirety a letter complain- with developments since. A week later he asked the

Yew", Mr Levin said he had possible to publish all letters, filled the judicial bench with and Singapore had received a Times generally and specifically on the letters page. Mr Hoy said Mr Levin's

> ter did not advance the discussion.

The Press Council's adjuditisements in the Financial apore with integrity, ability cation was: "Mr Levin's vig- Times is rejected."

a statement by the Singapore was an active practitioner in the Singapore judiciary was Government attacking The the courts there from 1937 to one he was entitled to write, Times for refusing to print in 1978 and had been in touch but one to which either the judiciary or the state of Singapore on its behalf would have been entitled to expect an opportunity to reply. "Neither sought one. Al-

though Mr Marshall is a former chief minister of Singagreat deal of attention in The pore and currently one of its ambassadors he made clear that the letter he submitted was sent in a personal capacity article related to detailed and not on behalf of any body to prevent the Privy Council's allegations about the influence or institution.

"In these circumstances it on the courts well after Mr was wholly within the dis-In a letter to the editor Mr Marshall's departure. His let- cretion of the editor to decide whether or not to publish the

"The complaint against The

CHANGING FACE OF EUROPE Kohl wants to slow down pace of reunification

From Michael Binyon, Brussels and Ian Murray, Bonn

Chancellor Helmut Kohl yesterday reassured his Nato allies that Germany would consult constantly with all its friends and partners, and that he wanted to proceed with reunification at a slower, reasonable pace.

He added that none of his smaller neighbours had anything to fear. Earlier the West German Parliament,

after a rowdy two-hour debate, passed a resolution assuring "the Polish people of their right to live in secure borders. It was the first concrete step towards an internationally, binding treaty guaranteeing its present borders.

Herr Kohl told the Bundestag that he would see to it that both German parliaments and both governments after the East German elections on March 18 - would guarantee the future of Poland's existing western border.

In contrast to the rowdy Bundestag session, the meeting with the Nato ambassadors was officially described as intensive, constructive, fruitful, lively and friendly". The Chancellor said no one need

worry that Germany was going to go it alone; unification had to be embedded in

he implicitly rebuked those who complained that it was going too quickly. For decades, he said, Germany's allies had been talking about reunification, saying they wanted it. But they did not think it would happen for a long time yet.
"President Gorbachov is right when he says history catches up on you. Now we

all have to be taken at our word." He expressed a certain injured defiance in the face of doubts about the process. For 41 years the Federal Republic had existed, getting most things right — though not everything.

That is why we deserve confidence and trust, and that is what I am asking for." He had not originally planned such a swift process, but had been pushed by the stream of people leaving East Germany, and the constant chants of demonstrators that "we are one people".

He now wanted to calm things down, and proceed along more orderly tracks. The Chancellor's assurances were well received in Brussels. Nato allies made it clear that they were greatly relieved by his change of mind.

Herr Manfred Wörner, the Secretary General, said the meeting opened a formal sequence of consultations with

tive governments' claims to a

Mrs Thatcher has infuriated

formula as "four plus two", a

change which might seem

significance for the Germans,

verse of the Ottawa deal.

When challenged at a meet-

not intend it to have any

political significance. He was,

As a result, however, cover-

age of the reunification nego-

tiations has used the phrase

both ways round. At any rate,

which may be what Whitehall

A senior Foreign Office

official has used the two versions alternately, while other sources have said that, if

the West Germans think it

important, that is a matter for

them. "As far as we are

concerned, both versions add

up to six, and the sooner

people start talking about the

ported Ottawa as a triumph

but it seems clear that the US

and West Germany were the true parents, and that Britain's

claim to paternity is at best

One British newspaper re-

six the better," one said.

officials wanted.

remain in Nato. They also welcomed the Chancellor's recent statements on the Polish border issue.

Herr Kohl said reunification was a "very moving" subject for him and his countrymen. "Everyone feels this is a historic moment," he told reporters after his meeting at Nato headquarters. But the process was "stormy" as developments were pushing it forward.

His overwhelming concern was to synchronize his discussions on unity with consultations with friends and allies. He said these would be held wherever possible - within Nato, in the European Community and at the special EC summit on Germany next month. Herr Kohl's visit came a day after M

Jacqes Delors, president of the European Commission, held talks with Herr Worner at which he was understood to have expressed support for closer co-ordindation between the EC and Nato on defence policy, and discussed the implications of German unity.

Although defence is officially outside the scope of the 12 EC members, M Delors has often made it clear he sees the Community's growing political inte-gration forcing it to increasingly address defence issues. He has also been concerned that West Germany's preoccupation with reunification should not distract it from its obligations to the EC.

At the Bundestag session, Herr Kohl was accused of lying and stabbing Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, his Foreign

Change of image for British

the British Military Government in Berlin to the British Mission Berlin. This is seen as a preparatory move fore ending the arrang between the four Allies at the end of the

Second World War that divided the city

into sectors (Andrew McEwen writes). The two Germanies and the four Allied

Britain yesterday changed the name of powers are expected to discuss the abolition of the Allies' residual powers at

abolition of the Allies' renormal powers at talks in Boun next Wednesday.

Major-General Robert Corbett, the British Commandant, has 13 first secretaries among the officials under his authority in addition to a military presence. The move may be intended to improve Britain's image in West Germany.

Minister, in the back. But he appeared to enjoy the stormy debate, in which his Christian Democrats (CDU) and the closely allied Christian Social Unionists (CSU) were backed by Herr Genscher's party, the Free Democrats (FDP).

His good humour was doubtless due in part to polls which show that the CDU in East Germany has almost pulled level with the Social Democrats (SPD), scoring 30 per cent against 34 per cent.

In the Bundestag, the SPD and Greens failed to delete any reference in the full text of the motion on war reparations or the cultural rights of ethnic Germans in Poland. Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, the SPD leader, said Herr Kohl's behaviour in linking these subjects with the border question had damaged the Chancellor's office as never before.

Herr Jürgen Schmude, an SPD mem ber, tried to rub the point home. The Chancellor, he said, was "an arsonist in the European house".

But by prior agreement, the three coalition parties voted through the resolution, which — beyond the border issue — said pointedly to Warsaw that existing declarations on the two issues "remain valid for a united Germany". It was essential, Herr Kohl said, that there should be total clarity that Poland had

The Chancellor sat smiling beside Herr Genscher throughout the opposition onslaught. The Foreign Minister, who was heard with respect on all sides he alone won applause from everyone said that the resolution was important because there had to be clarity on the

vecations issue. For him the most important aspect of the reunification discussions between the two Germanies and the four Second World War allies was a resolution of the external aspects - Nato membership, the military status of East Germany and the status of Soviet troops on the present

territory of East Germany. Once these issues were settled, Herr Genscher said, the result would I ad to stability throughout Europe.

The Bundestag resolution seems to have gone some way towards calming Polish fears. In Gdansk, Herr Helmut Haussmann, the West German Economic Minister, met Mr Leszek Baloerowicz, the deputy Polish Prime Minister, who said it was the right step in the right direction" although he added that it was still not fully in line with what Poland was seeking. Poland, he said, wanted to be involved in the negotia-

German unification talks put Western allies under strain

By Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Editor

talks in Berlin between the two Germanies, and of the meetings they will have with the four Second World War Allies from next Wednesday, were laid in the side-rooms and corridors of the Ottawa Congress Centre during the "Open Skies" conference last month.

The pivotal decisions taken in Ottawa are causing huge strains in the Western alliance. The two Germanies, the countries with strong claims United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union have deeply offended those countries who were excluded from their select group — and have also provoked a diplomatic squabble among themselves.

The secret Ottawa meetings produced the "two plus four" formula under which the two Germanies will agree on unification terms between themselves, then meet the four Allies to discuss the external aspects, including the security of neighbouring countries.

Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German For- by reunification at least as ny's right to settle its own internal affairs.

Its importance for other countries is that the Germanies will unite by negotiation, rather than by simply an was a thing of the par nouncing a fait accompli. The Italian diplomat said. "two plus four" formula, so the argument goes, reduces the risk that the scramble for unity might destabilize Euro-

pean security. It was, however, a deal that could equally have been reached between the two superpowers and the two Germanies. France and Brit- to a lesser extent, West Gerain were brought in because of man newspapers. their wartime role and because

The foundations of today's they are residual occupation different versions of where the powers in Berlin; it was also real power lies among the six

Neither country was entirely happy with Washington's original proposals, but both quickly acquiesced, probably because they would stake in the glory, with pretty well in front.

A Whitehall source that is the West Germans to t

But the inclusion of Britain and France infuriated other to be involved from the start.

East Berlin - East Germany denied knowledge yesterday of alleged involvement in drug running (Anne McElvoy the former head of state, oversaw cocaine smnggling to West Germany in a Soviet plot

eign Minister, sees it as one of much as will France - and the confusion has had the the most important agree- possibly more so than Britain. effect of making the distinchistory, establishing Germa- the Italian Foreign Minister, made his anger clear to Mr Secretary, when they met in London last week. "We had

> The six foreign ministers involved in the secret deal were all smiles when mystified photographers were asked to take their picture in Ottawa just before its details were announced. But discordant accounts soon began appearing in American, British and,

convenient for Washington to states represented at next have their support as Nato

otherwise have been ignored.

Italy, Belgium, The Nether-lands and Denmark, among the Nato allies, will be affected

writes). This followed a Washington Post report which claimed Herr Erich Honecker, to undermine Nato forces.

Douglas Hurd, the Foreign hoped this sort of secret deal was a thing of the past," one

These accounts reflected

Soviet wives up in arms against drudgery



OLO ROMENTA

Fasting and feasting on Women's Day table, which will be laden with will ring all the way to Visdivostok - whatever could be bought - cognac, from women who have no means of

Women and children protesting in Moscow yesterday over living standards with a a banner reading: Down with privileges for Communist Party members.

From Mary Dejevsky Moscow

On the fifteenth floor of a shabby high-rise block, half way along the built-up main road to Moscow's international airport, sit 30 or so women of various ages. They talk quietly but with determination, and occasionally sip water collected from

a nearby spring.

While all Moscow is feasting — in celebration of International Women's Day - these women are fasting, as they and others have done on March 8 for the past four years.

They exchange experiences, gossip and rumours, they comfort each other and rejoice in the good news of others. They are all Jewish women "in refusal" - the state of having been refused permission to leave the Soviet Union for Israel.

Some have been refused on their own account, others might be allowed to leave but without their husbands. This year, for the first time, their fast will not last the usual three days but only one. "People are tired this year,"

Lyusya Rapoport said.
"Women are especially tired —
from all the searching and queuing for food - and some of our group are not young." This year's fast is being held at the flat of Natasha Magazanik, whose family has just — after 15 years - received permission to emigrate to

They are booked to go on April 27 and the flat is filled with packing cases. Natasha, for whom this will be the last fast in the Soviet Union, said she, however, will not be eating for three days. Her next period of fasting will be in Israel, in sympathy with those she is leaving behind.

The scene at Natasha's flat offers a dignified contrast to the unreal opulence and empty verbosity of official Women's Day celebrations in the Soviet capital. It is a contrast which is only partly dulled by the steady snowfall that has enveloped Moscow since early morning.

This is not a working day, few people are on the streets, and of those who are the men tend either to be drunk (alcohol was liberally available before the holiday to those prepared to queue) or carrying Cellophanewrapped carnations to present to their womenfolk. The women, as usual, are foraging for food.

Some time during the day they will gather together round the festive

champagne, chocolates, and big, tasteless apples.

There will be eloquent toasts to the women and girls of the household - to their beauty, good health, long life and success. These are cliches rehearsed by Soviet men from boyhood and are wishes against whose fulfilment every aspect of Soviet life conspires.

As usual, the crème de la crème of the Soviet leadership attended the gala evening for International Women's Day - 16 men (no wives mentioned) and one woman. But the Communist Party's Central Committee had the grace to acknowledge women's problems this year.

In a red-headlined message of congratulations on "their" day, published by *Prawla* and all national papers, the Central Committee said it realized that the difficulties besetting the country had fallen especially heavily on their shoulders. It assured them that the committee "will do all it can to ensure the disappearance of the queues and the shortages, the heavy manual labour and the discomforts of

from women who have no means of birth control other than abortion, who have to buy cosmetics on the black market, who spend two or more hours of every working day in queues, and whose kitchens look like a museum set from the 1930s.

International Women's Day is a deeply devalued holiday here. It lauds an image of womanhood - ideal wife, mother and career woman - which is less attainable than almost anywhere else in the world.

Despite 70 years of protestations of equality, women are shunted into "women's jobs" where the necessary qualifications may be high (teaching, ... medicine and the law) but the pay is still lowest of the low.

Some have started to call International Women's Day the spring holiday, marking as it does the theoretical end of the Russian winter, and this would be more honest. It would allow the men to get drunk

and the women to take a day off without the sickly-sweet fawning of men before women which has come to dominate March 8 - and which seems intended as compensation for 364 The hollow laughter at this promise days of drudgery.

Kremlin hails liberty as guarantee of stability From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

This follows a period when

new circumstances.

fer to be ringed by free, pros- and that Moscow has begun to perous, democratic states revise its overall East Euro-open to East and West than by pean policy in the light of the an artificial cordon sanitaire of unstable regimes kept in So says the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, summing up Moscow's replacement for the Brezhnev

Mr Shevardnadze made the the withdrawal of Soviet remarks in an interview, to be troops from Czechoslovakia). published on Sunday, in the and confused inaction. popular Soviet magazine Og-onyok. They represent his first considered assessment of the recent upheavals in Eastern Europe and emphasize that Moscow may now regard free- accused of mounting three and democracy, rather attempted coups in Benin in dom and democracy, rather than ideological orthodoxy, as the chief force working for

In the same interview, Mr Shevardnadze warns the West power in March of that year. that the failure of perestroika could precipitate the collapse of the Soviet Union or, more Hungarian Foreign Minister, probably, the seizure of power by a dictator. To pre-empt dent Havel of Czechoslovakia this, he says, moves towards a new security agreement for Europe must be speeded up and the Soviet Union must have internal stability of the sort that a strong executive

presidency could give. The interview will be published on the day that Mr Gorbachov puts forward his proposal for the executive presidency to the Central Committee, and is clearly intended to strengthen his man reunification with some and Central Europe, and re-

It also indicates that the Soviet Union is unlikely to

stand in the way of further land's concern. It allows the said.

Moscow's policy seemed to veer uneasily between old ideas (keeping the Eastern bloc's trading group Comecon in line), emergency damagelimitation (the agreement on This week sees visits to Moscow by the Romanian Foreign Minister, who arrived

Cotonou (AFP) - The people ported. They include 19 soldiers implicated in a bid to win

late on Wednesday, and the who arrives later today. Presi-

was in Moscow two weeks ago. The Hungarian visit is expected to result in the signing of an agreement on the withdrawal of all Soviet troops from Hungary by the middle of 1991.

In Central Europe, only Poland has so far made no moves to have Soviet troops for a role in the negotiations.

The Soviet Union would pre- reforms in Eastern Europe, Soviet Union to maintain a bargaining counter on the eve of the four-power talks on German unity, it means that the repatriation of troops can be done in phases, and it leaves a residual Soviet force in Eastern Europe at a time when the Warsaw Pact's front line in East Germany is shaky.

It is too early to judge how great a role historically Mr Shevardnadze has played in the Soviet Union's disengagement from Eastern Europe since he replaced the longserving Mr Andrei Gromyko in 1985. Certainly, Mr Shevardnad-

ze - who is Georgian, not Russian, by birth - has shown himself unusually sympa-thetic to the plight of East European countries under Soviet rule.

Speaking at the Central Committee plenum last month, he tried to defend perestroika against the charge that it had created disorder in the Warsaw Pact.

It was not perestroika that had destroyed the political structure of Europe, he said, but the will of nations who had refused to reconcile themselves to force. After the Second World

War, the democratic forces

that had collaborated with the communist parties in the name of anti-fascism, freedom withdrawn. Both Warsaw and and democracy were forced Moscow are watching the out of the coalition governrapid progress towards Germents of the countries of East unease, and Warsaw is playing gimes of personal power called "dictatorships of the proletar-Moscow benefits from Po- iat" established instead, he

KGB set to employ sacked Stasi men By Our Foreign Staff

in the wings as East Germany yesterday formally dismissed more than 100,000 informers who used to eavesdrop on friends and workmates for the hated Stasi security police. West German security sources said the KGB was hurrying to take over East

Germany's spy network before free elections on March 18 make it impossible. "Files and technical equipment of the former Stasi (state security) police are currently being turned over to Soviet hands in East Germany," a

vesterday. Specialists in electronic intelligence could be put to work at Soviet military bases, which will most likely remain on East German territory for the foreseeable future despite the rush towards reunification,

source quoted by Reuter said

the sources said. They believed the KGB would take over intelligence staff at Stasi headquarters to run a several thousand strong spy network. "A sensitive gap in Soviet intelligence would be

The Soviet KGB was waiting created if East German espionage ceased to function as a result of unification," one A citizens' committee has

spent the last two months dismantling the Stasi, which had 85,000 full-time employees. About three-quarters of them have found other jobs or joined East Germany's lengthening unemployment

In Moscow, a new independent news agency said yes-terday that the KGB had warned the Supreme Soviet it would act to protect socialism and accused Kremlin leaders of failing to do so. Postfactum agency said wording of a KGB appeal circulated to members of the

Soviet parliament suggested the security force was dominated by hardliners. Diplomats say East Germany's highly efficient intelligence and counter-espionage networks have continued to banded, though West German intelligence reported some

Trade fears split Sajudis on independence timing From Anatol Lieven, Vilnins

movement, Sajudis, appears divided on the proposal to make a unilateral declaration of Lithuanian independence as soon as the republic's new supreme soviet meets this As became clear at a meet-Union has hampered Mos-

ing of the Sajudis Seima or cow's ability to act. assembly yesterday, many The other argument for members are afraid that delay is that Sajudis has not Lithuania is getting too far reached agreement on three ahead of the change in the crucial issues: the choice of other Baltic republics and that Lithuania's president, the it is economically vulnerable composition of the new govto pressure from Moscow,

increased by President Supreme Soviet in Moscow. Gorbachov's statement on Tuesday that if Lithuania left the Soviet Union it would have to pay back 21 billion roubles (£21 billion) in Soviet investment and in penalties

An article in the Tiesa newspaper on Wednesday asked "Has the economic" blockade already begun?", noting a squeeze on invest-

The Lithuanian national ment and raw materials. In private, some Sajudis members have said that it will be wiser to wait until Latvia and Estonia have reached a point where they can act together with Lithuania, and until unrest elsewhere in the Soviet

ernment, and the question of The likelihood that such whether Lithuanian deputies pressure will be exerted was should continue to attend the

> Many Sajudis deputies regard their presence as highly important both to negotiate with Moscow to seek support from other Soviet republics.

But Professor Kazimieras for "breach of contracts"

Antanavicius, the Social Democrat leader, asked yesterday how Lithuania could simultaneously declare full independence and go on sending deputies to the parliament of a

"foreign" state.

members of Saindis appear to form the core of resistance to s, "premature" move on independence. Professor Ant anavicius noted yesterday tha "nobody has been talking about the state of the econom; - which isn't surprising, 2 there is not a single economis on the committee which it working on the declaration o independence".)

Mr Vytautas Landsbergis Sajudis's chairman, said in the Seima yesterday that "the struggle for independence i . reaching its culmination", and that preparations for what he called "this fateful step", wen being made by a number o Sajudis committees, which were working on the drai-

declaration of independence. The decision to declar independence has been taker by a majority of the caucus 0 Sajudis deputies in the su out of the 116 so far elected.

26 seats remain to be filled. It is clear however, tha Sajudis could enter the ner supreme soviet in a state (The Social Democratic considerable division.

Cation Moscow tries New crusade preached at the Wall to calm Arab anxiety over new exodus

From Christopher Walker, Caire

terday when a Soviet envoy met the Saudi Foreign Min-ister on the issue, despite the absence of diplomatic ties between Riyadh and Moscow which were broken by Stalin

Diplomatic sources said that Mr Vladimir Polyakov, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, flew to Riyadh to meet Prince Saud al-Faisal in an attempt to assuage Arab fury and to clarify the Soviet position, which has strained

has been condemned by all Arab nations as detrimental to the peace process and to regional security. The sensitivity of the exodus has been increased because many of the new arrivals are feared likely to settle on Arab land occu-pied by Israel in 1967.

The Soviet initiative in Saudi Arabia reflected both the desert kingdom's clout in the Arab world and fears in Moscow that Arab anger may spill over to more than mere words unless the Kremlin

The Soviet Union has states in the region". avoided implementing an Assad attack: President Asagreement for direct Moscow- sad of Syria, one of Moscow's Tel Aviv flights that should staunchest Middle-East allies. have gone into effect on New Year's Day. It is also said to be not settle on occupied land.

Prince Saud would be relaying beneficiary, among all nations the Soviet view to the 22 Arab of the world, of the inter-League foreign ministers in Tunis next week.

The Kremlin's dilemma over Soviet-Jewish influx should be the emigration of tens of addressed with the concerned thousands of Soviet Jews to parties "with the language of Israel was underscored yes- interests... for condemnation alone does not suffice". He added that an "Arab strategy" must be drawn up. Earlier this week about

2,000 Muslim fundamentalist students marched on the Soviet Embassy in Algiers to protest against the wave of emigration. They shouted slo-gans against President Gorbachov and denounced "the in the Soviet Union".

In an attempt to rally Western support, King Husain of Jordan this week its ties in the Arab work.

The expected arrival of some 300,000 Soviet Jews in Mr Marwan Kassem, his Foreign Minister, told a Jorthink we have faced a more serious issue since the 1930s. He was referring to Jewish mandated Palestine. .

At Moscow's request, the Security Council is due to debate the issue later this month. A joint communique issued in Cairo yesterday by President Mubarak of Egypt and President Ben Ali of Tunisia, said that the movement of the East Bloc Jews to Israel had "negative effects on takes action to try to reduce the chances of peace and the flood of Jewish emigrants. security for all peoples and

encouraging Soviet Jews to live elsewhere than in Israel, and to be certain United Nations-backed guarantees that Jewish migrants would the service of the s denouncing the recent changes He said: "Let us now per-

The diplomatic sources said ceive that Israel was the first Sheikh Isa bin Sulman al-socialist countries once op-khalifa, the Emir of Bahrain, posed to Israel "Zionists are said that the issue of the now active everywhere".



Gate yesterday. He is to hold a meet in front of the Reichstag tomorrow. The US evangelist is brin his crusade for Christianity to the Berli Wall to fill the spiritual void left by retreating communism, he and German

religious leaders said yesterday (AP reports). Dr Graham told reporters that the events of Eastern Europe had

heart. I agree," Dr Graham said. He felt that Germany "was on the verge of a Czechoslovakia's budget

Prague balks at subsidy cuts

From Peter Green, Prague

"business" rate) draft budget, but admitted it lacked the Foreign Ministry." political courage to raise the prices of subsidized consumer goods. The new budget shows surplus of five billion crowns, reversing last year's 15 billion crown deficit.

Announcing the latest step towards reforming the country's sickly economy, Mr Vaclav Klaus, the Finance Minister, said Czechoslovakia hoped to join the International Monetary Fund by

September. He released few details of the budget cuts, but indicated that most consumer subsidies would remain untouched for now. "Possibly we lack some of the political courage needed to say we cannot continue price subsidies," he said.

He admitted, however, that the Government was merely postponing the inevitable. "We do not have good prices, but if we do not do it (price reform) soon, we will have to pay for it later."

Overall, Mr Klaus said, the udget reduced wage and price subsidies by 14 per cent, with subsidies to state enterprises down 10.7 per cent. Subsidies to farmers have dropped 13 per cent. "Our results are not heroic, but they are not bad,"

Government administra-

As Czechoslovakia's Govern- in its first two months, the ment continues its economic new Government had exreforms, it yesterday ap- hansted this year's travel budproved a 420 billion crown get, adding "Our predecessors (£16.8 billion at the official travelled in a year what we do travelled in a year what we do in a month, especially the

Announcing the nomina-tion of Mr Dusan Triska, his close personal adviser and a radical advocate of the free market, as head of a new office for privatization, Mr Klaus called for debate on the question, saying there would be

Budapest (Renter) - Virtually all Soviet land forces and the Soviet Air Force will have been withdrawn from Hangary by the end of May next year, said yesterday. Troops will leave by the end of February, and the air force will follow them within three months, the army chief of staff said.

limits to what would be sold. "No one would want to privatize railways or water distribution," he said.

Repeating the Government's blueprint for privatization, Mr Klaus said the first businesses to be freed from state ownership would be small shops, services and workshops. The situation for middle-sized enterprises would be "very confused" and they would first have to be converted to "privatizable"

tain sectors of the economy tion costs were cut by 5 per would be open to foreign cent, but Mr Klaus said that, ownership.

WORLD ROUNDUP

Unesco steps up n's Da wages bill again

Paris - Señor Federico Mayor, Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, is creating 44 senior posts at a cost of \$6.2 million (£3.8 million) (Susan MacDonald writes). The fresh revelation of the creation of 20 more posts than previously learnt virtually puts paid to any hope that Britain — which is reviewing the decision to leave Unesco four years ago might rejoin. The 44 jobs include the upgrading of 22 senior positions.

A Western diplomat said Unesco continues under Señor Mayor, as under his predecessor, Mr Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, to be an ideal organization for well-paid jobs. According to him, it is the only UN organization to pay senior officials an additional \$200 (£121) daily allowance when they are on trips away from HQ. Letters, page 13

Nuclear ban U-turn

Wellington — In a staggering policy reversal, New Zealand's opposition National Party yesterday adopted the Labour Government's anti-nuclear policy, which bans nuclear armed and nuclear powered ships from the New Zealand's ports (Richard Long writes). Mr Donald McKinnon, the deputy opposition leader, immediately resigned as his party's defrace spokesman, saving he could not with any party's defence spokesman, saying he could not with any credibility sell such a policy change. Eleven MPs in the 40-strong caucus are understood to have opposed the change.

Mongolian deal near

Peking - Mongolia's ruling communist party yesterday appeared to be nearing a compromise with anti-government hunger strikers demanding the resignation of the Politburo (Catherine Sampson writes). Thousands took to the streets herine Sampson writes). Thousands took to the streets in Ulan Bator to back the demand. Eight more dissidents were reported to have joined the hunger strike begun by 10 others on Wednesday in Sukhbator Square. The Prime Minister, Mr Dumaagiyn Sodnom, said the Government was ready to work with the opposition, and one of the hunger strike leaders said the Government had shown good faith.

Reporter's trial starts

The trial started in Baghdad yesterday of Mr Farzad Bazoft, aged 31, the Iranian-born reporter on The Observer who is accused of spying for Israel, and Mrs Daphne Parish, aged 52, a British nurse charged with helping him (Hazhir Teimourian writes). A surprise development was the appearance of an unnamed third co-defendent, an Iraqi citizen. As expected, no British lawyers were allowed to belp the accused, nor were journalists permitted to observe. The trial was adjourned until Saturday.

Clashes in Kashmir

Srinagar - Hundreds of Muslims yesterday shouted Islamic slogans and demanded independence for Kashmir as a delegation of political leaders, including Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the former Indian Prime Minister, arrived to try to end the unrest. The Jammu and Kashmir Liberation Front had earlier called for people to congregate in mosques and prepare for mass demonstrations (Coomi Kapoor writes). Paramilitary forces fanned out over the city to enforce the curfew. At least two civilians were killed and two injured in an exchange of firing between militants and security forces.

Police victims' \$76m

New York (AP) - A state jury has found the city of New York and five police officers guilty of using excessive force, and awarded \$76 million (£46 million) to two men who said they were shot at and beaten in a case of mistaken identity. The jury also found the defendants guilty of negligence, false arrest and malicious prosecution.





Coup leader defiant

as Kabul claims air base recapture

President Najibullah of presidential palace was hit that 25 civilians had been killed and more than 150 wounded when air force rebels bombarded Kabul for 20 hours in a coup attempt, while confusion continued to sur-

General Shahnawaz Tanai, the former Defence Minister, claimed in a tape delivered to the anti-government Mujahidin coalition yesterday to be inside in Afghanistan and continuing to light.

other defected generals of the Kabul regime were being kept under strict security near Peshawar, where they had been seen by President Ishaq Khan and General Aslam Beg, the Pakistan Army's Chief of

In Kabul, President Naji-bullah parried reporters' questions on whether he knew General Tanai's whereabouts. But the Afghan leader said his forces had recaptured Gen-eral Tanai's stronghold, Bag-

Asked about casualties among loyalist troops, Presi-dent Najibullah said they were "a little less" than civilian casualties, but said he could not give figures yet.

ram military air base, north of

Tuesday's coup attempt caused far greater damage than any recent Mujahidin attack on the capital. More than 40 bombs hit the main government area of Kabul in four hours on Tuesday and

who returned to Cambodia

recently are fleeing back to

Thailand to escape a new

offensive by forces of the

Phnom Penh Government in

International aid officials

said some had returned to one

refugee camp already, and up

to 20,000 more people were waiting near the border.

will receive food and

Officials of the two non-

communist resistance groups, the Khmer People's National

Liberation Front and the Siha-

north-west Cambodia.

yesterday several times.

President Najibullah also announced the setting up of two special courts to try

The tape from General Tanai was delivered to the Islamabad office of the news agency of the Mujahidin government-in-exile. In it Gen-eral Tanai said: "I am inside Afghanistan . . . We have risen up and our struggle will

Mujahidin sources said that Continuing to fight.

But according to reports in Pakistan, General Tanai had flown to Pakistan briefly on Wednesday and talked with several

> and Soviet aircraft, believed to be carrying arms, have flowe to the Afghan capital, the BBC reported yesterday (Our For-eign Staff writes). The situation at Bagram air base, north of Kabul, was unclear.

guerrilla groups who have been fighting the Sovietbacked Government which seized power in a 1978 coup. He had then returned to Afghanistan with the guerrilas they added. General Tanai's flight from

Afghanistan came after repeated government claims that the coup attempt had been crushed, and Kabul was yesterday returning to normal. Talking to newsmen in Islamabad, a foreign affairs spokesman said that only a few of the rebel officers had surrendered to the Kabul

Although Pakistan has

Cambodian refugees flee

again from battle zone

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

said 4,000 Vietnamese sol-

diers, with Phnom Penh

forces, were preparing to at-

Vietnam savs it has with-

drawn all its troops from

Cambodia, but there is evi-

dence that some have been

sent back to help the govern-

to force all the refugees back

The reports were later dis-

The return of refugees to

test border camp. This

ment forces.

into Cambodia.

Large numbers of refugees recent months. The official

United Nations officials are their former camp inside

advising them to cross the Thailand created dismay amborder into Thailand, where ong 140,000 refugees at Site 2,

nouk National Army, said missed as untrue by Dr Suvit Yodmanee, the Government's heading for the border from Thmar Pouk, the biggest town yesterday that refugees

in the so-called liberated zone would be forcibly epatriated occupied by the resistance in Thailand still adhered to the

the bu

coup attempt, observers believe that Islamabad could well be pushed into actively supporting the rebels. There are indications that elements in the Pakistan Army are pressing Miss Benazir Bhutto. the Prime Minister, to extend

military support to the rebels. Pakistan's Afghan policy, which in the past was con-ducted by the Inter-Services Intelligence, an intelligence wing of the Army, is not run by General Beg. But Miss Bhutto and the Foreign Min-istry seem to have little say in the country's Afghan policy.

General Beg is determined gain by the Afghan resistance against the Kabul regime this summer, hoping to force President Najibullah to step down. Observers say that if this fails there will be pressure from the United States for a negotiated settlement on a future transition government

Pakistani officials were trying to persuade the Afghan interim government of the Peshawar-based Mujahidin coalition to support the coup attempt.

Pakistani officials also believe that the Kabul regime's advantage in air power was neutralized by the defection of the Afghan Air Force to the coup leaders. In this situation, the officials believe, the Afghan resistance might be able to capture Jalalabad or another important Afghan

stani involvement also carries firmly denied Kabul's charges the danger of wider regional

policy that full-scale repatri-

ation must wait until there

was a ceasefire and a political

No refugee camps would be

closed, he said, but the Thai

Government was planning to

establish neutral camps con-

tek would be returned by

own accord as resistance

forces gained control of more

Rouge also forced people back against their will into the

UN officials say the Khmer

territory in recent months.

settlement in Cambodia.

Homeland discontent flares into violence



Rioters pin their hopes on ANC

From Gavin Bell Ga-Rankuwa Bophuthatswana

Mr Joe Motsepe surveyed the ruins of a post office opposite his house here and explained joined Ciskei, Transkei and Venda in a revolt against their illusory independence.

"What makes people angry is that they were forcibly incorporated into this socalled state ... We are all South Africans, and if there are going to be negotiations on making our country better for everybody, we should not be left out," he said.

Acrid smoke is still drifting from burnt-out local government buildings and the remnants of barricades littering the streets of Ga-Rankuwa, where at least seven people were shot dead and 500 were injured in clashes with Bophuthatswana security forces on Wednesday.

trolled by the United Nations Simmering discontent with High Commissioner for Refuthe Bantustan system and s, where the refugees could with administrations deemed ask to go.
Under the UN plan for corrupt and inefficient ex- nation for the next hundred repatriating the 300,000 refuploded in an orgy of violence when local troops and police doesn't care for the people, but Mangope and a referendum gees on the border, 10,000 a sands of people who were If he stays, it's just the kicking outside the chief magistrate's of a dying horse." was turned to panic by reports road after a political settle-that Thailand was preparing ment had been reached. However, substantial numoffices to present a petition of grievances. bers have returned of their

Within minutes the town was in flames as mobs set fire to rent offices, banks and post offices, and blocked streets with boulders and burning tyres against the armoured vehicles pursuing them. The and then the security forces ing before the lorry was set



The relative calm was disturbed by sporadic explosions as troops enforcing a state of emergency fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse gatherings, but no further casualties were reported. Anger flared in several areas as security forces searched homes for looted goods.

Mr Motsepe said people were incensed by a recent declaration by President Lucas Mangope that Bophuthatseven separated tracts of land, would remain an independent years. "He is like Idi Amin, he

Mr A.C. Greyling, the chief magistrate, gestured towards a burnt-out lorry outside his office and said: "That's what started it. We told the crowd to disperse after delivering their petition, but suddenly the vehicle went up in flames

shots over their heads. If the police had not been here yesterday, I would have been

Mr Greyling, a white South African, said the petition complained about housing, transport, health services and high electricity tariffs, and de-manded the resignation of Mr

Johannesburg (AFP) - Two ing, allegedly part of a plot to kill President de Klerk and four ministers, escaped from a

In the casualty ward of Ga-

Rankowa hospital, a few yards inside South African territory, victims of the strife contradicted Mr Greyling's account.

John, a laboratory tech-nician being treated for torn ligaments sustained in fleeing the security forces, said they had opened fire without warn-

ablaze. "The Bophuthatswana violent unrest spilled over always crying.

"We have low wages, high rents and no social facilities. We need trade unions, but they are banned. Mangope said on television the police have a right to kill. How can a President say that?" Dr Hein McCarthy, the

medical superintendent, said 90 per cent of the casualties had been the result of nunfire. Five people dead on arrival and two who died later appeared to have been killed by live ammunition.

de kjerk and the negotiations with the ANC.

"I think what Mr de Klerk is doing is very nice. It's good, and I think there will be a new South Africa like he said, but the homelands separate us thing would be clear." As the would be arrested.

Government is very cruel on into black townships in South us, and the people who can't Africa yesterday, Mr R.F. get work in South Africa are "Pik" Botha, the Foreign Minister, said he had informed the military ruler of Ciskei that the maintenance of peace and stability was ofparamount The first task was to relieve

poverty by implementing education, training and job-creation programmes, he said. A road-sign outside Ga-Rankuwa points an end to the farce of tribal independence. "Bophuthatswapa" Border Post[®] is obscured by the slogan "Viva ANC".

 BISHO, CISKEL Mr Lennox Sebe, the ousted President of Ciskei, was to be offered a when he arrived in Johannesburg from Taipei early today, Mr Botha said.

The Foreign Ministry in Cape Town said Mr Botha had the homelands separate us agreed with Brigadier Josh a from our own people. I am not Oupa Gqozo, the head of the an ANC activist but I sym- new junta here, that Mr Sebe pathize with them, and I think should be advised not to if they could come here every- return to Ciskei, where he

Alarm over Libyan 'chemical weapons'

US urges break-up of gas plant

clear to Britain and other allies that Libya must be forced to dismantle its chemical weap-ons plant at Rabta, following press Colonel Gaddafi to alons plant at Rabta, following US intelligence reports that production of mustard gas and factory, which is 60 miles Sarin nerve gas was south of Tripoli.

Officials from London, Bonn and Paris have all been in close touch with Washington because of growing alarm at the threat posed by

Britain supports Washington's position that the only satisfactory way of removing the threat is to have the plant dismantled. Foreign Office sources said yesterday that international inspections at Rabta would not be enough to guarantee an end to Colonel Gadaffi's chemical weapons

However this appeared to

low outside inspections of the

West German companies helped build the plant, which Colonel Gadaffi has always insisted was for the manufacture of pharmaceuticals. Libya denied again yes-

terday that it was producing chemical weapons and said it was ready to join international

BBC, quoted an "authoritative source" at the Libyan Foreign Ministry as saying the US administration had levelled false accusations.

initiatives against chemical warfare, according to Tripoli The radio, monitored by the

Bonn believes that interclash with the West German national inspections would be

The United States has made it Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the leader to cease chemical weap- have the diplomatic means to West German Foreign Min- ons production. Herr dismantle the factory. proposal to his west European counterparts on February 20.

ington, was summoned to the than on any intermediate State Department. Mr Regi-nald Bartholomew, the international inspection Department's Under-Sec-which Gadaffi could use to his retary responsible for chemical weapons issues, reportedly told him Herr Genscher's proposal was unacceptable.

A spokesman for the West German embassy confirmed yesterday that there was a disagreement between Bonn and Washington. He said his government took the view that Colonei Gadaffi would never agree to tear down the Rabta plant, but might give in to pressure for outside

inspections. One German diplomatic Government's approach. Herr enough to force the Libyan source said his country did not

A spokesman for the US State Department said: "Only Three days later Herr the facility stops producing Juergen Ruhfus, the West chemical agents. We would German ambassador in Wash-rather concentrate on that goal advantage."

Senior British diplomatic sources confirmed the USreports that chemical weapons were being produced, although at present at a "rel-atively low rate". One source said: "We're all working hard to try and restrict further development at Rabta."

Yesterday an Israeli diplomatic source said: "We are concerned even more than made it clear that Israeli would be the main target."

at French police shootings From Philip Jacobson, Paris Attention has been drawn way out and was running away Under regulations governing when the shooting started.

again to the alarming triggerby the case of an Algerian man who was shot dead by a policeman in Marseilles while police are lying, it was an execution and the bullet in the execution and the bullet in the

while being taken to court by Although details are

six shots were fired and Saoudi died from a .38 bullet in the back of the neck at very close range. He was also hit in racially tense Marseilles, the the back at least twice.

There will be a protest march outside Marseilles tomorrow, demanding justice in the Saoudi case. According to the two officers escorting him, Saoudi had injuries.
first tried to strangle the driver That w

with his handcuffs while they

neck was a coup de grace." His father, who formerly served in two policemen in a police car the French Army, yesterday to face charges concerning a initiated a legal action for wolumtary homicide against the officer who admits to sketchy, some facts stand out: having fired all the shots, six shots were fired and Jean-Claude Morin, aged 47. Clearly mindful of the pos-

> authorities have emphasized that there will be no cover-up. The Marseilles police have opened an official investigation and yesterday M Morin was charged with causing fatal

sible impact of this killing on

That will certainly not stifle with his handcuffs while they were on the motorway. When the car skidded to a halt on the lem posed by the increasing Leading article, page 13 hard lane, he had forced his abuse of police firearms.

the national police, guns can be used only in self-defence, or Saoudi's family have no defence of a third party, when there is an immediate threat of

On the face of it, the killing

death or serious injury.

of Saad Saoudi, who was unarmed, raises the same worrying questions as a series of incidents stretching back three years in which people died at the hands of the police. A case which involved the ferocious beating and sub-sequent death of a young Algerian student caught up in demonstration in Paris, Malik Oussekine, brought angry crowds into the capital when the officers convicted of involuntary manslaughter received light and suspended

Meanwhile, by coincidence, the head of France's urban police forces this week circulated a message warning them against taking too many "liberties" with firearms.

Algerian's death stirs alarm Briton dies in blaze at restaurant |

Frankfurt (AP) - Police believe arson caused the fire at a Chinese restaurant in Frank-Annetts, a British engineer aged 46, was among 11 people killed. His French wife, Helene, celebrating her fortieth birthday, also died. Three of the dead were connected with US forces in West Germany.

False picture

Brussels - The European Commission is to sue Spain for allowing endangered spe-cies, including tigers, to be to publicize holiday resorts.

Police attack Buenos Aires (Renter) -

Police used tear gas to break up orange and stone-throwing government workers protest-ing in Salta against federal economic policies. Protest march

Ankara (AP) - About 1,000 Turkish journalists marched on Parliament to show solidarity after the assassination of Cetin Emec, a prominent liberal journalist.

Hostages well Harare, Zimbabwe (AP) -Mozambican rebels say Mr Dudley Searle and Mr Dudley Stephenson, the Britons they are holding hostage, are well.

Riot control Abohar, India (AP) — Lorry

loads of riot police were deployed here to control mobs angered by an Sikh attack in which 31 people died.

Unassis deal

Edgartown, Massachusetts (AP) - Mrs Jacqueline Onassis is to give Wampanors Indians a plot of land and £60,000 for a tiny beachfront site, ending a 10-year dispute-

Second luxury hotel fire in Cairo underlines tourism fears clouds of smoke billowed over the vous police outside the hotel as the in fire safety equipment at the main

A fire yesterday at the famous Shepheard's Hotel on the banks of the Nile, Egypt's second hotel blaze in a week, has highlighted the lack of modern firefighting devices

worrying many tour operators. There were chaotic scenes in growded central Cairo as firefighters and panio-stricken staff sought to control the biaze in a greasy ventilation duct which damaged the hotel's kitchens.

Fearing a repetition of last Thursday's disaster at the Heliopolis Sheraton in which 17 people, including four Britons, died, staff smashed huge plateglass windows in the hotel's Regence Restaurant to let smoke clear soon after the fire killed by falling glass." Reporters

12-storey hotel, whose more illustrious predecessor was burnt down by nationalist rioters in 1952.

Mr Rick Abrams, an American tourist among the 407 registered guests, said he had heard no fire

• The one casualty was nearly crushed as 20 colleagues tried to put her in an ambulance 🗨

alarm and had been alerted by knocking on his bedroom door. He complained that he was then faced with a hail of glass as he rushed from the building. "It would have been very easy for us to have been roke out around 10am. Huge were pushed and shoved by ner-

authorities tried to minimize the incident for fear of the damage it might do to the \$2.4 billion tourist industry.

"There was no fire, there was no fire," insisted a black-uniformed officer standing in a pool of deep water from the hoses of five appliances as sirens wailed and a fire ladder stretched to the roof. Mr and Mrs Brian Groome, a

Nottingham couple who had come to take morning tea in the hotel, contradicted the officer. "Of course there was a fire. We saw it," said Mr Groome, who added: "There was also complete chaos among those trying to deal with it." The one casualty, a housekeeper suffering from smoke inhalation,

was nearly crushed as more than 20

shouting colleagues struggled to

admit that we panicked," said Mr Mohammed Abul Naga, the general manager. "It was because of what happened at the Sheraton, In fact there was no need; our fire was out within 15 minutes."

Mr Abul Naga said that the government-owned hotel had neither water sprinklers nor smokedetection devices. "They are part of our current renovation plan." An Egyptian Government report has blamed inadequate safety measures for the high death toll at the

600-room Sheraton near Cairo airport. In both fires, the authorities have been swift to rule out arson, although remours still persist about the Sheraton fire because of repeated threats by Islamic fundamentalists opposed to its

vinced that the fire at Shepheard's was accidental. There is no way that an outsider could have had access to start it."

Three hours after the fire had been doused, I discovered in a

• The panic-stricken staff appeared to have little idea about fire safety procedures 9

naked wiring with no safety covering. Staff appeared to have little idea of fire safety procedures. At another luxury hotel, the Cairo Meridien, management complained that Egypt's notorious red

staircase repeated examples of

hotels. They said that the Meridien had water sprinklers, but no smoke or heat detectors.

Mr Mohsin Ritad, the sales manager, said that the Meridien would like to improve its firefighting equipment. "But you have to obtain permission from the Egyptian customs to bring this advanced equipment in, and this is difficult. And the equipment is expensive."

The state-owned Middle East

News Agency reported that a

preliminary investigation showed

that yesterday's fire was caused by an electrical short circuit in the ground-floor kitchen. Major-General Fakhreddine Khalid, chief of Egypt's tourist police, said: "There is absolutely

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PARLIAMENT

Ministers 'must act against these proven liars'

Mr Neil Kinnock strongly attacked the Government HOUSE OF FRASER for its failure to act against the "proven liars" now running the House of

The Leader of the Opposition insisted at question time that this was an "open invitation" to similar dishonesty by others.

Opening the exchanges, Mr Kinneck asked why it was thought to be against the public interest to seek disqualification of the Fayed brothers.

Mrs Thatcher replied that the Mrs Teatcher repied that the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry (Mr Nicholas Ridley) had made a statement yesterday in which he had answered many of these questions in detail. Prosecution was a matter for the prosecuting authorities. Other powers were for the regulatory authorities.

As far as a quasi-judicial decision was concerned that was for Mr Ridley. He had made it and answered to the House. Mr Kinneck said that the Financial Times saw the real issue as one of public confidence in the business and financial

yesterday. "I rest my own replies upon his."

Mr Kinneck: The Government has powers to act and by their inaction they are completely contradicting the public interest in honest conduct of

Is that not an open invitation to others who could employ the same dishonesty as that shown by the directors of Harrods? Why does the Government so favour those who are very suilty favour those who are very guilty when they happen to be very rich?

Later, during business ques-tions, Dr John Causingham, shadow Leader of the House, said that there was widespread astonishment and anger, not only in the House, about the report on the Harrods scandal. It was in everyone's interest, not least the Government's, to commission an inquiry to be conducted in Parliament. There should be an early debate on the

system.

"If her Government will not use its powers to disqualify directors who have been shown to be guilty of deliberate and persistent dishonesty, in what circumstances will she ever take action?"

Mrs Thatcher replied that this was a quasi-judicial decision for Mr Ridley. She referred to the replies given

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the Commons, said that he understood that the Select Committee on Trade and Industry was now examining the investigative powers of the Departure of Trade and Industry under the Companies Act. It might be appropriate to await the committee's report before continuing.

Mr Desnis Skinner (Bols-

debate because of the conne tion with the Sultan of Brunei. In 1985 when the pound was 1.08 to the dollar, and sinking to the floor, the Sultan of Brunei found £5 billion to prop up the

ment decided to lay off the House of Fraser and its sur-rogates, the Fayed brothers. That was the reason for the

Sir Howe said that if publication of the report yesterday was a cover-up, Mr Skinner was more extraordinary than he

Mr Kenneth Warren (Has-tings and Rye, C), chairman of the Select Committee on Trade and Industry, said that the terms of reference of that committee did not include, and were not intended to include, a study of any particular company and its

Mr Anthony Benumont-Dark (Birmingham, Selly Oak, C): Many of us thought yesterday that Mr Ridley was rather too languid and laid back about the

"The idea that this 750-page report should be sent to a select committee when the chairman of the committee himself says 'It ain't me, guv', is not really on. "If we can debate for six hours the conduct of one MP, why can't we spare three hours to talk about the conduct of these discreditable and losthsome



Violent poll tax demonstrations condemned

The violent demonstrations against the poll tax were roundly condemned at question time by the Prime Minister and by Mr Neil Kinnock. Leader of the Connection Mr. Thatese and Opposition. Mrs Thatcher and Conservative MPs also attacked those Labour MPs urging

people not to pay.

The exchanges were opened by Mr Timothy Devlin (Stockton South, C), who asked Mrs. Thatcher to confirm that Mili-tant violence had no part to play in the fixing of the community

charge.

Mrs Thatcher said that any violence or intimidatory demonstrations, organized she understood, from an excellent article in *The Times* today, by the militant left, were a negation of demonstration.

the militant left, were a negation of democracy.

It was quite wrong for any MP to suggest that people should disobey the law and not pay the community charge.

Mr Kinnock said that he agreed with everything she had just said, "as I have for very long made very clear".

There were loud Labour protests when Mrs Thatcher asked: Will he also therefore condemn the 28 Labour MPs who are turning that people should not

the 28 Labour MPs who are urging that people should not pay the community charge?

Mr Andrew Mitchell (Gedling, C): Will the Prime Minister utterly condemn the disgraceful and dangerous scenes we have witnessed in various council chambers across the country, orchestrated by

various country, orchestrated by various left-wing groups and encouraged by those Opposition MPs who decline to obey the

Mrs Thatcher said that the scenes were precisely the same kind of violence seen at Granwick, in the coal strike and

PRIME MINISTER

at Wapping - the negation of

"I also condemn anyone, particularly members of this House, who chose to disobey the law by refusing to pay the community charge. That is totally wrong and means that Labour MPs only obey the law if

they make it and not when another government does."

Mr Paddy Ashdown, leader of the Liberal Democrats, urged the Prime Minister to think joyed the same level of accountability for local govern-ment which she had to answer to

nationally.

Mrs Thatcher said that local income tax would be just about

income tax would be just about the most unpopular and bureau-cratic way of raising money for local authorities.

Later, during business questions, Dr John Canningham, shadow Leader of the House, said that Mr Kenneth Baker, chairman of the Conservative Party had been executing bonnes.

MPs appeared to have changed their mind on the poll tax, there their mind on the poll tax, there should be an early debate.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, said that such a debate would be another opportunity for asking why 28 Labour MPs were trying to incite people not to pay a tax put in place by the House.

Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab; It's 31, not 28 (protests and laughter).

Tony Marlow, page 12

Food safety code of practice promised

The Government is to establish a code of practice to "even up" enforcement of food safety law by local authorities, Mr John Gunner, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said when he moved the second reading of the Food Safety Bill.

"This will mean better food second reading of the Food Safety Bill.

"This will mean better enforcement, better codes of was supported by international practice, better training for enforcement officers and more enforcement officers in some local authorities."

Ingulargants root possoning and was supported by international organizations. If people did not want irradiated food, they would not need to buy it. He was not in the business of forcing

An extra £30 million would be people added to the revenue support grant next year to enable counons size

food about which there was

CONCERN. It was little help to say: "We will take a week or two before we can stop someone poisoning his

He was concerned in the event of a serious danger, possibily an outbreak of epidemic proportions, that there should be simplier and clearer emergency control orders. These were provided for in the Bill. He was worried that there had been cases where local authori-ties had been unable to protect

the public because they did not know all the food outlets. In future, food businesses would give their local authority a few a particular view."

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adjunct to the armoury in the fight against food poisoning and

Irradiated food was already on sale in 20 countries, although That would be paralleled by providing tougher powers for enforcement officers. They would have power to remove to buy irradiated food about which there was people would choose.

There is no danger to health. I shall certainly buy and eat irradiated food myself and so will my family. Those who do not want it need not do so. "What do those who want to

remove choice say? They say that because some do not want it, nobody should have it; because some are wholly biased to the scientific evidence, every-body else should be caught by it. That is the Jebovah's Wit-

ness approach to science. It is the idea that, however prepos-terous a proposal is, everybody has got to accept it because of a small group who happen to take

Browne is suspended for twenty days The motions and amendments

The following report of later speeches in the Commons debate on a motion to suspend Mr John Browne (Winchester, C) from the House of Commons for 20 days The motion was approved without a division after a series

of greater and lesser sanctions had all been rejected (see panel). Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, had moved the motion for suspension, speaking immediately after Mr Browne's statement apologizing for his failure fuffy to register his

He said that Mr Browne's acts and omissions had not mea-sured up to his responsibilities. "MPs must not only act honourably. We must be seen to act honourably. We must be, and we must be seen to be, above suspicion," he said.

n (Chesterfield, Lab) did not favour suspension. "Members are elected by, and are answerable to, their constitneuts. The sentence proposed is the wrong one. Whether it is one, two or three months' suspension is absolutely meaningless and if he is able to use the facilities of the House, what possible punishment is there in that, if punishment it be

A reprimand was more serious than suspension. It would be a terrifying frightening ex-

Howe's main motion, to endorse the findings of the Select Committee on Members' Interests in respect of the allegation against Mr Browne, of failure to register an interest, and accordingly to suspend him for 20 sitting days, including

It had first rejected by 237 votes to 67 an amendment by Mr Donald Thompson (Calder Valley, C) not to suspend Mr Browne. An amendment by Mr Tony Benn (Chesterfield, Lab)

required. Nothing convinced him more of the need for it than the cosy way they had discussed

in danger of degenerating into a market place where influence is traded for favours, backhanders and patronage." It was time to turn the moneylenders out of

Mr Edward Heath (Old Bex-ley and Sideup, C) said that Mr Browne had had to face all the publicity and a report of the select committee in very clear terms. His constituents knew about every episode in detail. It was now for them to make up wanted him to be an MP.

Mr Browne had apologized and that should be accepted. The Commons was always magnanimous to any minister ter was crowded or MP who recognized his errors

He disagreed with detailed rules and preferred to depend on the integrity of the MP. Mr Benn reminded him that he was the father of the phrase, "unacceptable face of cap-

had had far more effect than legislation.

If you decided that MPs should have no outside in-terests, you cut yourself off from the outside world (Cries of "nonsense").

Mr Nerman Bachan (Paisley South, Lab) intervened to say that it was all right to have music and literary interests, but

Mr Heath said when he conducted an orchestra in Jerudem he was accused of being influenced on foreign policy.
"My Arab friends get very worried about it."

without a vote; and a move by Mr Jeremy Corbyn (Islington North, Lab), calling on Mr Browne to resign was rejected by 254 votes to 33. An amendment by Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Birmingham, Perry Barr, Lab), which wealth have increased the

The House then carried without a division a notion calling for father study by the select committee of issues concerning MPs' outside

where did it stop? He served on the international review board of the accountants, Arthur Andersen, who collected £3.2 billion in fees from many

He never took part in a debate on Lloyd's because he was a name in the Outhwaite syn-dicate, but he could tell the House in confidence that the ses were considerable. "They are not going to drive me out of the House of Commons. They might very well keep me in."

Mr John Biffen (North Shropshire, C), a former Leader of the House, said that one of the least happy aspects of the case was the trial by tabloids of Mr Browne. It had made the Stropshire luminary, Judge Jeffers and libration and the stropshire for the stropshire and the stropshire are the stropshire as the strong stron freys, seem like a lilac social

Mr Browne had admitted he

identified by the committee. It was not a question of guilt. The infrigement was admitted. They had to judge the appropriate

But it was judgement of the motive that was critical. What had happened was not a con-sequence of sinister and menda-cious judgement, rather more foolish and ill judged behaviour.

Mr Tam Dalyell (Linlithgow, Lab) said that those who had been suspended bore the scars for a long time. The House should be extremely careful before it went down that route.

They would not have been discussing this today if it had not been for the press references to the matrimonial problems of Mr Browne, or Mr Browne proposing a totally unacceptable is it.

Dr John Cunningham, said he would support the proposition that Mr Browne should be suspended for three months, but if this failed he would vote for the 20-day suspension. He did not want the

Sir Geoffrey Howe said there was a great deal of common ground. On both sides there had been great understanding of the anguish being suffered by Mr Browne. There was also wide ogy and sympathy for his wife and family. Equally, there was widespread recognition of im-

ernments seem to have become more flexible in their attitude."

MPs want 'Libya' inquiry

manded an urgent inquiry into newspaper reports Libyan money for the Nat-ional Union of Mineworkers'

Mr Nicholas Ber (Pembroke, C) said at business questions that there should be an immediate investigation into the mis-appropriation of £5 million by should be held so that there could be an examination of why Labour MPs, including Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab), had not said a

Mr Skinner said that the knew of in the strike was the millions of barrels of oil that came from Libya to prop up the Tory Gov-

Markings for UK eggs

The British Egg Industry Council was conducting a pro-gramme to mark individeggs, which was legal, and there was nothing to prevent Britain marking eggs with a regional characteristic, N David Carry, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said during Commons questions on the poultry industry.

Homeless study

The Government is looking at the way in which the responsibilities of various povernment departments and relief of homelessness among single people, Mrs Thatcher said in a written Commons reply. She said that she had received a wide range of representations

Parliament

It has not had a marked effect on elections because in all three, the foreign population is be-tween only 2 and 4 per cent of the total population.

Under the EC directive, a Parisian, for instance, living in London for at least a couple of years could stand for or vote in local London borough election

Equally A Briton settled in the Algarve would be able to take part in local Portuguese

The peers conclude: "The committee believes that the European Community has now reached a point of integration where it is right that all its citizens should be given the right to vote in local elections in their place of residence.

"It it is absurd that the increasing free movement of people exercising Community rights should have the result that several million Community citizens find themselves eff-ectively disenfranchised".

It adds: "Given the strength of the Community's commitment to democratic rights, including the right to vote and to be elected in genuine and free elections, a guarantee should be provided that all Community citizens irrespective of nationality should be entitled to the franchise in local elections in the place where they reside". place where they re-House of Lords Select Com-

mittee on European Commu-nities: Voting rights in local elections (Stationery office; £8).

next week The main business in the

House of Commons next reek is expected to be: Monday: Northern Ireland (Emergency and Prevention of Terrorism Provisions) (Continuance) Order and other Northern Ireland

Tresday, Wednesday and Thursday: National Health Service and Community Friday: Debate on private member's motion on family The main business in

the House of Lords is expected to be: Monday: Education (Student Loans) Bill, committee,

Toesday: Coal Industry Bill, third reading, Human Fertilization and Embryology Bill, report, second day. Wednesday: Debates on the gap between rich and poor and the social security system, on legal aid and on the House of Fraser report. Thursday: Courts and Legal Services Bill, third

Parliament today

ments (increased Penalties) Bill and Representation of the People Bill, second

'The Conservatives need to do some explaining'

Tories plead for minister to help them

Rank-and-file Tory supporters said yesterday that the community charge would cost the party dearly in the Mid-Staffordshire They appealed to Mr David Hunt, Minister of State for

Local Government, to redouble his efforts to persuade the public of the merits of the new system of local government finance. Mr Hunt conceded that there was a great deal of public uncertainty about the poli tax,

blaming it on a campaign of disinformation by his op-But he denied that the new tax would lose the Tories the Midlands seat where Labour is on course to overturn a 14,650

majority. Meanwhile, Labour said that 1,900 teaching jobs would be lost if the Government charge-capped Labour-controlled Staffordshire County Council and forced it to meet a Whitehall spending target £33 million below the amount needed to maintain services at present

Mrs Sylvia Heal, the Labour candidate, who is enjoying an opinion poll lead of about ten points over Mr Charles Prior, her Tory rival, said local people would welcome the opportunity to tell Mr Hunt that the poll tax was "grossly unfair".

Mr Hunt was brought face to face with local opinion as Tory campaign chiefs counter-attacked with a ministerial walkabout in the market town of Stone in the north of the

His courteous reception from predominantly elderly midmorning shoppers was in marked contrast to the violence that has marred town hall protests over the poil tax this week, but he was left in no doubt of the importance of the issue that has eclipsed even high



mortgage rates in public

Mrs Shirley Thomas, aged 34, of Stafford, a mother of three children and a Tory supporter, said she was baffled how the extra money would be spent.

Mrs Thomas, whose family's local authority bill is set to double, told Mr Hunt. "The council needs to tell us what is going on and why it is so much more. It hasn't be done at all.

"It is the Conservative Party that is suffering and therefore the Conservatives should do some explaining themselves."

Mr Anthony McNeency, aged 68, from Stone, said that the new system was unfair and he was thinking of changing to Labour, although its roof tax was "going from the frying pan to the fire". Earlier, Mr Jack Straw,

BY-ELECTION

(C), 28,644; C St Hill (Lab) 13,990; T Jones (L/All), 13,114; J Bazeley (Independent C) 836. C mai: 14,654.

Labour's education spokesma promised that a Labour government would leave council spending levels up to the "discretion" of the electors.

"It's for the electors of the councils; not for central Government to go jack-booting around telling the people of Staffordshire that Whitehall

Mr Hunt said that he had been able to dispel some in-dividual misconceptions about

the poll tax during his visit to "I met one lady who felt she was worse off, but when we went through the figures, she was

"I found another person who thought you had to pay rates as well as the community charge. "Once we get down on the ground and explain the advantages of the new system and Labour's lack of an alternative, we are going to get a positive response in this constituency."

Earlier, the Tory camp's

frustration at its inability to unsettle Mrs Heal's unruffled

gum" and said he had never but distinctly low-key campaign apparently made a speech in surfaced in remarks from Mr favour of the poll tax before Gerald Howarth, the can-becoming a minister. The MP for Cannock and

Burntwood said Labour was holed up, answering no ques-tions and holding no public multilateralism who left CND more than two years ago, has so far proved fire-proof to Tory attacks, retreating behind the policy review when pressed and not venturing far from the most

literal interpretation of the party For the past three days, her public programme has ended in mid-afternoon with the exception of one private evening meeting. Mr Prior has been spending much longer on the

Foreigners 'should have local vote'

hiving in Britain is urged today by a Lords select committee on the European Community

the upper House, brought the prospect of French, German and other EC citizens living in Britain to stand and vote in British council elections a step

roposal to allow Britons res-ent in another part of the ommunity to take part is local

committee points out that, to avoid discrimination, the 600,000 Irish residents in Britain should lose their right to vote in general elections but retain voting rights in local elections as EC citizens.

don the entitlement of Common-wealth and Irish citizens to the franchise in parliamentary and local elections reflects an earlier common allegiance to the Crown which carried with it the right to enter the UK. The historical origins of the extended franchise provides no reason why it should

who are citizens of another part of the Community. Most are settled in Belgium, Germany, France and the United Kingdom. The EC initiative would bring idespread changes in the electorate in many areas of the

The Lords committee save "The gradual development of a 'people's Europe' has pro-gressed to the point where most people in the Community are in favour of extending voting rights at local authority level to all

Non-British EC citizens make up an estimated 1.3 per cent of the total UK population. But 600,000 of them are Irish res-idents who already enjoy the right to vote. (Sheila Gunn writes). The report, to be debated in Only Demaark, the Irish Republic and The Netherlands so far extend their franchise to residents from other parts of the

It says: "In the United Kingnodified to reflect new political

Community with cosmopolitan populations, such as Loadon, Brussels and Paris. But the Home Office is opposing the

realities."

SPECTRUM

From the dream to a nightmare

Beset by defections and arguments about the treatment of its subject, the future of King, the musical based on the life of Martin Luther King,

hangs in

the balance. Alan Franks

traces the plot's twists and turns

he question now hang-ing over the embattled company of the London musical on the life of Martin Luther King, due to open at the Piccadilly Theatre on April 11, is whether this week's withdrawals from the project by its lyricist Dr Maya Angelou and members of the assassinated civil rights leader's family were the coincidence that they were first assumed to be.

Yesterday a well-placed source within the £2.5 million production, now three weeks into re-hearsal, said that company members had become aware one week ago of Dr Angelou's doubts that the "book" supplied for the musical at short notice by white American author Mr Richard Nelson could do justice to the black martyr's memory. "She said that she would pass these reservations on to Mrs Coretta King [Martin Luther King's widow]," said the source, "and this she has

Mr Nelson, who has been nominated for an Olivier Award







The departing cast of a drama: Dr Maya Angelou, who has "doubts" about the book, Mr Richard Nelson, its author, and Mrs Coretta Scott King, the severe grandian of a legacy

for his play Some Americans Abroad at New York's Lincoln Centre, was brought in by the producers of King at the end of January after the black American writer Ron Milner had parted company with the project. Mr Milner's book, itself an adaptation of a play on the same theme, Roads of The Mountain Top, written three years earlier, had

also failed to impress Dr Angelou. Yesterday, Dr Angelou was not at her home in North Carolina and her publicist, Mr Armstrong Wil-liams, said that she was travelling to the King Centre, in Atlanta, Georgia, which was founded in

memory of Dr King.
Although Dr Angelou's contract
with the show's London producers, H.M. Tennant, stipulates that she should attend rehearsals of King, she has not yet attended any of the current sessions in Vauxhall, south London. Although she has been working on the lyrics since June, she announced on Wednesday that she was regrettably removing her support, name and lyrics, "due to

irreoncilable differences". On the out that the show is still evolving same day, a spokesman for the King family complained that the planned production "trivialized" historical authenticity.

Now the company, financed by hysteric two Swiss backers, Peter Hargitay panic." and Hans Flury, appears determined not to make a crisis out of a drama. Mr Peter Wilson, the producer, said: "I have hardly spoken to the king estate. In fact our only talks have concerned details of Dr Angelou's travelling arrangements. They only let me know that she was intending to pull out a few hours before she did. so. You might say that it was a brief notice period." Nor did he wish to speculate on

any legal action which the company might take. "All I would say is, even if she says she intends to withdraw her lyrics, she cannot actually do so, as they belong contractually to the joint

Mr Hargitay believes the cur-rent difficulties are ones of "communication". He pointed

in rehearsal, with every member of the cast "pink, black or yellow" able to make a contribution. "This the life of its hero, and fell short of is a very mature and motivated company, there have been no hysterical outbursts and no

> o member of the King family had so far seen a rehearsal, Mr Hargitay said. "I hope they will send some-one to see it. Our doors are wide open, especially to Mrs King. This show is anything but a trivialization of her late husband's life." There are now three unsolved

plots across an already crowded stage. The first is whether the show can succeed without its celebrated lyricist and the relatives of its subjects. Second: will Dr Angelou manage to have her identity expunged from the ven-ture. Third, and deepest: precisely what is being objected to. So far there has been little more than vague moral rumbling.

The British composer of the of completing the lyrics now falls. score, Mr Richard Blackford. could scarcely stand accused of venality, or of a slapdash ap-proach to racial sensitivities. He of thrilling drama." has spent the past six years working on the King project, during which time he has spent 18, months conducting intense re-

out of a company of 76, 47 are "We have portrayed our here as he was: a human being, and thus imperfect, as are all human beings. but a man whose manifest greatness could and did encompass his human frailties without in any

search into the composition of

gospel music in Detroit, studying the King archives in Atlanta, and

attending the non-violent work-shop which propagates the civil rights leader's working methods

and ideology. He points out that

way lessening his stature and his achievement," he says. "There is absolutely no dirt or scandal, and I really don't know what they are taking exception to," says Mr Alistair Beaton, the British co-lyricist to whom the job

"I think there is a failure somewhere to understand the making

Mr Simon Estes, the American opera singer who is to play Dr King, is also one of the producers of King and a friend of the King family. He said: "The rehearsals are going magnificently and we hope to get everything resolved regarding Mrs King." Mr Estes said he was greatly impressed by the work of the composer - but he admitted there might be "some validity" in Maya Angelou's reservations about the book.

Even in West End terms, King ranks as a major musical venture with the £2.5 million backing of Peter Hargitay and Hans Flury. Although it was only announced last year, Hargitay's interest in the project goes back three years. He is the head of a leading European public relations and consultancy firm and has been extending his involvement in the financing of

GUARDING A LEGEND

ince her husband's murder. Mrs Coretta Scott King has become a severe guardian of his legacy. She has devoted her widowhood not to leading her own demonstrations, or leading her voice to the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, which Dr Martin Luther King founded, but to perpetuating his memory.

That she has done by building the 35,000 sq ft King Centre in downtown Atlanta, opened in 1982 after 14 years of fundraising. It has become a major tourist attraction - but at the same time attracted widespread criticism for doing little to help desperately poor blacks.

Mrs King, aged 63, has been accused of behaving like Black American royalty, carning her the nickname Her Widowship, She exercises personal control over all use of Dr King's speeches, letters, books and even his image, and spends much of her time personally scrutinizing even minor decisions at the centre. Criticism of her dynastic ambitions intensified with the appointment of her son, Dexter, as its president.

"She trained as a young woman to be a diva, and now she is a diva on the political stage," one critic told the Washington Post recently.

In the United States, Dr King's estate can use legal "rights of publicity" to control use of material about the civil rights leader. But such rights do not apply in Britain, the estate's lawyers say.

r Maya Angelou's objections to the show are apparently distinct from those of the King family. Although she liked the British composer Mr Richard Blackford, and admired his respect for Dr King, she felt that he had been surrounded by "amateur artists" and that the production had suffered.

Dr Angelou has carned a reputation as one of America's leading black writers with five volumes of autobiography, beginning with I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, which was made into a film.

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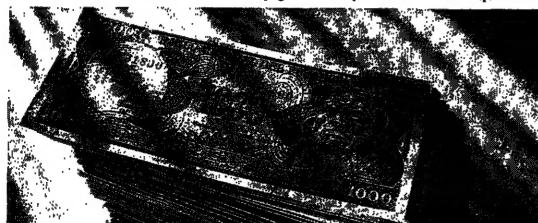
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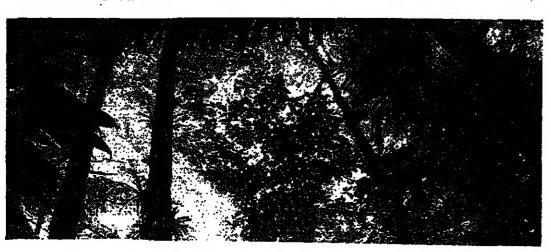
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You are looking at a 10-seater double-decker bus. It has five seats upstairs and is seated directly below Richard and in front of eight people, including Nick. Pat sits in the seat directly behind Nick and directly below John. Kate sits at the very back, directly above Tony. Graham is seated directly in front of Sam and directly above Bob. Who sits directly in front of Tony?

2 DIAGRAMS

The following rules apply to this puzzle: You mit land on every circle, but only once on each, before ng on the circle marked F. Your method of ment from circle to circle is determined by the symbols within each ircle - the number den number of moves, while enotes the direction. C means clockwise, A means anticlockwise, i means in, O means out. So that you finish on F, on which circle should you

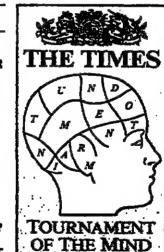
3 VERBAL

Which word of four letters may be placed between these two words so that when it is added to the end of the first word it creates anoth word and when it is added to the front of the second word it creates another word?

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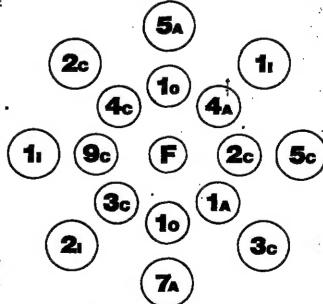
4 MATHS

saking petrol tank. It began to leak the moment you set out on your journey and at that time, you had 15 gallons of petrol in the tank. Three gallons of petrol have been leaking out per hour. You have been travelling at 45 miles per hour. Your car's usua petrol consumption is 30 iles per gallon. How many miles will you cover on your journe before the tank is dry?



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complete all 20 rounds, as published in The Times.



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 The first use of the term, the "Iron Curtain", is accredited to whom? 2. When did the Children's Crusade begin? 3. What is the main colour of a Venetian gondols?

4. What is the capital city of Alabama, US? 5. In which year did Rodin create "The Kiss"?

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FRIDAY PAGE

his is how I came to be born in England. One day in the late 19th century my great-grand-father was found floating in the Dnieper River with a knife in his back. My greatgrandmother took this to mean she was no longer welcome to live outside the Jewish pale of settlement in Russia. She immediately sold off some religious artefacts, including the tefillin which once belonged to her husband's ancestor, a rather grand 16th-century rabbi by the name of Isseries.

With that money in hand she took her family to London's East End. I am eternally grateful for her display of impiety. When it comes to the 20th century, a family named Isseries couldn't have found themselves starting off again in a better place than

In spite of this, neither religion nor Zionism has ever interested me very much. Secular liberalism is my creed and my suitcases are packed and waiting under the bed, not labelied Jerusalem but ready to go wherever the thoughts of de Tocqueville, Burke or Montesquieu best illuminate the landscape. Still, even my lapsed sense of identity has been enraged by the current dilemma in which the Soviet Jews find themselves.

The threat of a new pogrom against Jews in the Soviet Union is

'Once again, the Jews become the pawns in the game. Will it never end?' the flavour of the week in media. as in all large popular movements

stories. "Sky television uncovers new evidence of anti-Semitism". was the blurb this week on a latenight news show. The "evidence" turned out to be some rather routine footage of two Jewish families in Moscow saying they were scared of anti-Semitism, and the second-hand account of a woman who knew someone who had had the Star of David carved

into her face by a gang of youths.

Awful stuff, no doubt. By now, there seems to be little que that there is a fast-rising tide of anti-Semitism in the USSR. As Natan Scharansky pointed out in an interview with The Times, since the Russian people have no one to blame but themselves for the awful history they are now having to face, the Jews are a convenient scapegoat. Ironically, this anti-Semitism is being given an aura of legitimacy by the prominent role Jews played in creating the communist system in the first place. One can't deny that,

of this century, from Bakunin's anarchism to the anti-war movement (and with the possible exception of the Black Panthers), Jews have played a disproportionately large role. I suppose this includes Thatcherism as well.

The creation of scientific socialism began with a Jew named Karl Marx and did not end with the icepick in the skull of a Jew named Leon Trotsky. There were Jewish members of the intelligentsia in Russia, such as Martin Lyadov and Yakov Sverdlov. There were Jewish advisers to Stalin such as Kaganovich. In an analysis of the role of Jews in the revolutionary movements prior to the Bolshevik revolution, Jews were represented in very significant figures. This did not only apply, incidentally, to peaceful activities. In studies of Jewish representation in trials of terrorists from 1880 to 1890 in

per cent of the accused. The role of Jews in the USSR's



Barbara AMIEL

awful system ended a long time ago in the 1930s, but it is clear that among the old guard in both the USSR and the satellite countries, a number of Jews were attracted in disproportionate numbers to the suppose, that a number of Cambridge homosexnals were. A gifted outside group who feel they are not being offered a fair chance will always embrace a system that seems to be a saviour. Once this system turns into a monster, the secution will be there, even if by then the system is the greatest persecutor of the Jews. It sticks. People will forever say that all our troubles are caused by these awful

But there is another, much darker aspect to what is going on in the Soviet Union. The causes of anti-Semitism are not as simple as the ultra nationalism of Pamyat. Auti-Semitism and the threat of pogroms are not unhelpful to the erests of Mr Gorbachov. He is able to represent himself and his strong powers as the only alternative to disorder, pogroms and, most importantly, fascism - the great mantra that can be invoked without fear of argument.

Mr Gorbachov has turned out

to be one of the Good Things of history. But our joy at seeing his

Soviet Union should not make us eyeless in Gaza. One of the ways in which the communists can get western public opinion - and Mrs Thatcher - on their side is if they represent themselves as the only force preventing pogroms à la tsarist Russia. However, we cannot be certain about the role the Communist Party itself is playing in fanning the flames of anti-

There is a great emotional wave to be exploited here. Most of Anglo-American Jewry came to the West in order to escape the pogroms that left our great-grandparents floating in rivers with knives in their backs. Tell them that all that stands between new pogroms and a peaceful society is Mr Gorbachov, and they will lobby their governments to the death for Gorbachovism.

Meanwhile, the Jews become the pawns in the game. It is a being played by the West as well as

the East. America has closed its doors to automatic refugee status for Soviet Jews, and so they can only flee now to Israel. The European Community and President Bush have threatened to cut off aid if Israel settles Soviet Jews on the "occupied territories". The Arabs are pressuring the Soviet Union to stop Jewish emigration. Hither and thither, it goes. The Jew, whose life and security Gorbachov and his opponents are bartering in their contest for power, simply becomes another pawn when he arrives in Israel. Will it never end?

What this means to me is that once again the Jews are in a tremendously difficult situation and I suppose this is why, fundamentally, the Zionists are not entirely wrong. This is what happens when you are a minority and don't want to assimilate. It occurs to me that on Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, Jews greet one another with the phrase: "L'shana tova tikatevu?" It means: "May you be inscribed for a good year." Tradition has it that on that day, God inscribes the fate of all people and seals the inscription a week later on Yom Kippur, the Jewish day of mournng and atoneme

He must have His reasons, but once again, the inscription seems bleak and all around us the small of betrayal is in the air.

No fanfare for a Commons man

please note: to judge by a debate in the Commons this week, Neanderthal man is alive and well in the dark and cavernous lobbies and the chamber of the Palace of

On Tuesday Mrs Teresa Gorman, Conservative MP for Billericay, jibed: "There will always be Neanderthal man in the House, even if he comes from as close as Orpington," pointing at Orpington Conservative MP Mr Ivor Stanbrook, set to oppose her Bill to provide tax relief to working mothers employing home helps and childminders. Sure enough, in the debate Mr Stanbrook accused mothers who go out to work of being "selfish", add-ing that "they inflict psycho-logical injury on their children

"By Neanderthal," Mrs Gorman explains, "I mean someone who survives from a opponents of women going out to work who believe a woman's place is behind the kitchen sink. They harp on about the apparent complicity in the downfall of the family yet throughout history most women have worked, it's not

"Not that I think Ivor is brutal at all," she adds. "He's a very refined man, a sweet man. But those kinds of views really do belong to a different age."

This week an MP was branded a Neanderthal man. Who else fits

the bill? Lesley Abdela reports

Mrs Edwina Currie, the mother of two daughters and author of a book due out this June titled What Women Want, says: "Ivor Stanbrook's views would have been right for 20 years ago, but things have moved on an awful lot since then. Of course Ivor Stanbrook is not a mouster. In fact, I couldn't think of a nicer person to speak nonsense like

Conservative MP Robin Squire, married to Susan Fey, chief executive of the City Technological College Trust, is the very model of Nineties man. "Neanderthals? John Stokes [MP for Halesowen and Stourbridge] is probably the quintessential and bestknown. But there are a surpris-ing number in the House," he says. Mr Stokes readily admits: "I am a very traditional chap. I think it would encourage women to go out to on child care."

Maria Fyfe, Labour's dep-nty shadow minister for MP Emma Nicholson put women, agrees with Mrs down an Early Day Motion Gorman's assessment of Mr names to the list: "Tim

Luton North."

Mr Carlisle in particular flaunts Neanderthal views. Last November, in a letter to a senior 300 Group member, he wrote: "I feel gratified you have seen fit to ask me to hisment, but since I am of the opinion that women with certain exceptions have little to offer the House of Commons, I regret I must decline

to make rape in marriage a criminal offence in England criminal offence in England and Wales, said: "If the good Conservative Family Cambady has a headache, would it be inconsiderate for the himband to proceed? If she had a in the other whenever he had work if they get tax advantages bad headache, would it be

congratulating Lady Howe on Stanbrook, and adds two more the Hansard Society Commis-

there remain formidable burriers which prevent women

from getting to the top".

Messrs Carlisle, Stanbrook and Janman at once put in an Fellow Conservative MP Janman, MP for Thurrock, Smenument, separate with: firs Edwina Currie, the and John Cartisle, MP for "This House is surprised at This House is surprised at her [Lady Howe's] apparent ignorance of the fact that the comparative shortage of to male prejudice, as to the fact that most women believe rightly that the role of mother and homemaker to her family and valuable than the pursuit of individual interests in-compatible with that role."

Hotfoot from taking part in right's final program Some Near derthal MPs are the BBC television series not quite as "sweet and gen- More Over Durling, Green-tie" as Mr Stanbrook. On wich SDP MP Rosie Barnes. February 21, Tony Marlow, says: "Neanderthals? Ivor Conservative MP for North-Sumbrook is the classic, Tony American North Conservative Research man on the programme with ".am semble of

She was referring to Stephen Green, press officer for the Conservative Family Campaign. "We believe it is far better for the children for a mother to stay at home and look after them," Mr Green





Paired: Iver Stanbrook (left), who calls working mothers selfish, and Neanderthal man, to whom Teresa Gorman likens him

says. He lists smoong campuign guru to the Conservative Fam- In Tuesday's debate Mr leave to bring in the Bill was against Mrs Gorman's Bill — Mr Stanbrook and Julian Brazier, the MP for Canterbury. Although Mr Green says his

group bases its beliefs on American research, he was anable to point to any specific example. He did, however, mention British child psychotherapist Lynn Barnett, who works at Exeter Health Authority Child Guidance Clinic.

definitely support Mrs Gorman's Bill, she says, on the specific grounds that it would help mothers afford to pay for one-to-one child care.

"I'm certainly not saying mothers shouldn't go to work," Mrs Barnett states. "I'm saying I believe it is better for infants under twoand-a-half to have a permanent figure - she or he - or a Mrs Barnett seemed sur- substitute parent figure than prised at being held up as a to be in large groups."

made the sol-dier a model

cally: "There is overwhelming evidence to show that most mothers of young children who go out to work thereby cause psychological injury to themselves as well as their children." Yesterday he said this "overwhelming evi-dence" was based not on any research document, but on his own life experience as a practising barrister, plus 20

years as an MP. The size of the vote giving

17. Under the House of Commons's abstruse procedures it is highly unlikely that the Gorman Bill will get any further. But the overwhelming vote in favour of the Bill may signal to Parliament and public alike that while Neanderthal man does still exist in the House of Commons, he may be a fast diminishing species, about to join his true palacolithic ancestor as an anthropological curiosity.

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Arctic beauty

beauty products was originally designed to protect and beautify the skin; now it proposes to do the same for Antarctica. For every £10 spent on the company's nature-based, cruelty-free bath and skin products (available through House of Fraser stores, Asda, Gateway, pharmacies and health food shops), £1 will be do-nated to charities which are taking a special interest in the conservation of Antarctica, with the aim of establishing a World Wilderness Park.

To the rescue

Rescuing a ruin may at the moment seem like an impossible dream. A new Architectural Heritage Fund publication, however, describes how ordinary individuals can go about restoring an unloved neighbourhood building which has degenerated into an eyesore, to provide housing, a shop, or working accommodation. The book is £5 (inc p&p) from the fund at 17 Carlton House Terrace, London SWIY 5AW.

Super market

Environmental consciousness most definitely doesn't stop at Watford," says Sarah Howcroft of Verdant, a new green supermarket housed in an historic 18th-century building in the Lakeland town of Kendal. Local demand prompted Ms Howcroft, an experienced retailer, to open the store, with everything from a wholefood bakery and delicatessen to household

cleaning materials, long-life light bulbs, environmentally-ECOSPHERE friendly paints and recycled paper products. Verdant can be found at 34 Market Place, Kendal LA9 4TN (0539

Gaia lectures "Gaia", the name of the Greek

goddess of the earth, was the term chosen by ecologist Professor James Lovelock to explain the ability of the living world to create an environment which best favours its own stability, and to maintain that in the face of environmental change. This view is explored at a series of Gaza lectures by eminent environmentalists to be held at Imperial College, London, from March 21. Tickets are £4, or £7.50 including a buffet supbooked through David Lorimer, director of Scientific and Medical Network, The Old School House, Hampnett, Northleach, Glos GL54 3NN (0451 60869). Tapes of all the lectures will be available through Conference Cassettes, Runnings Park, Croft Bank, West Malvern, Worts, WR14 4BP (0684 892898).

Tree flight

The Campaign For Trees (patron, Sir Laurens van der Post) aims to alert governments around the world to the importance of increased treeplanting by flying to their doorstep. But in order to get the project off the ground, the Tree Trust's founder, Paul Caton, is seeking sponsorship for a 35,000-mile airborne journey in a light aircraft which will visit more than 40 countries; Caton intends to rendezvous with leaders in politics, commerce and religion *en route* to inspire positive action. For further details, contact Paul Caton at Wellspring Cottage, Deerfold, Lingeri, Bucknell, Shropshire SY7 0EE (056 886607).

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Papa's friend

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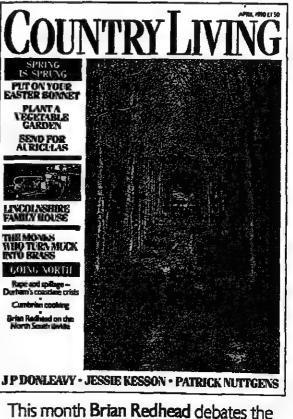
Dorman-Smith was such a friend. The British Army of Times on Saturday, George ficer met Henringway at the Hill tells the poissant story of and of the First World War.

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NIGEL WILLIAMSON

end of Peter Walker's imminent departure as Secretary of State for Wales, a strange little game has been taking place on the Government benches. With few bona fide Welsh MPs considered suitable for the job, junior ministers and their supporters have taken to regaling the House with subtle, and sometimes not so subtle, comments about their Welsh antecedents and connections. There was the Foreign Office minister, William Waldegrave, paying tribute to the people of Newport for their contribution to medical aid to Romania, and hastily adding that he hoped his comments would "not be misunderstood in any way". Perish the thought. Then backbencher Henry Bellingham sang the praises of the deputy chief whip, Tristan Garel-Jones, currently in Uruguay. What better person, he suggested, to represent the Government in such places, given the honourable member's Latin blood. That, of course, was the cue for a joke about Garel-Jones's Welsh blood from junior Foreign Office minister Tim Sainsbury. However, favourite for the Cabinet seat remains David Hunt, currently handling the poll tax at the Department of the Environment. He was born in the Principality, and friends have helpfully taken to describing his Merseyside seat as "close to Wales".

A straw in the wind, perhaps, concerning the Prime Minister's future intentions Husbard Davids intentions. Husband Denis is steadily reducing his outside business interests; this week he resigned from the board of Pitney Bowes. He is said to be telling friends that with his 75th birthday approaching, this is the time to start thinking about taking life easy. Whether he has urged similar advice on his good lady is a matter for speculation.

Neil Kinnock and Roy Hattersley were among those who happily signed a card circulated at last week's national executive meeting, thinking long and hard before coming up with suitably witty messages of congratulations to party officer Sally Morgan on giving birth. In fact, the card was for Jack Rodgers, a no-nonsense, pipe-smoking trade union official of the old school, currently in a Liverpool hospital. Whether the congratulations of the Labour leadership on his contribution to increasing the Labour vote in the year 2008 will assist his speedy recovery remains to be seen.

ot many people in Mid-Staffordshire are better off on account of the poll tax, but David Unwin is certainly one of them. His home, Chartley Hall, is estimated to be worth a sum into seven figures, and when the Tory by-election candidate, Charles Prior, canvassed there this week he must have felt confident of a Tory vote. As he approached the stately home, the helicopter on the lawn and the new Mercedes in the drive must have reinforced his confidence. Imagine, then, his confusion at seeing a "Vote Labour" sticker joke. But no: Mrs Unwin told him they were appalled by the present level of interest rates and would definitely be voting Labour.





Boring really. None of Di's

arty day Commons motion No 464 is just the sort of thing you would expect from Tory MPs with such right-wing credentials as Teresa Gorman, Tim Janman and Teddy Taylor. It notes "the complete failure of socialism in all its forms around the world", calls for Eastern Europe to move more swiftly towards the free market system, "which has demonstrated its moral and productive superiority", and ends by looking forward to the day "when socialism is completely swept away in the United Kingdom as well". The motion has been on the order paper for a month and attracted 10 Tory signatures. Then, suddenly, the name of David Blunkett, Labour's local government spokesman, appeared on it yesterday. Teresa Gorman expressed alarm at the speed of the enlightenment on the Labour left. Blunkett's office, showing a commendable sense of humour, collapsed in fits of giggles when I pointed out the error. At least, I trust it is an error...

espite the present diffi-culties, the community charge is the best system available for local government finance - it is even flattered by imitation in Labour's much more complex "roof tax" - so it is vital that it should not be

strangled at birth.

At present levels, there is a real danger that it will be over-whelmed by popular antagonism. Had it been between £150 for the prudent authority and £350 for the profligate, public reaction would have been very different. No one would have tibbed at £150, particularly with a rebate for the least well-off. Those charged £350 would quite reasonably have asked why, and brought their anger to bear in the secrecy of the ballot box. Accountability would rule, and at last a workable formula would have been established to curb the explosive tendencies of local

government expenditure. Unfortunately, we are faced with much higher figures, from £250 a head to about £600. The Government will find this politically unsustainable, for there is too much anxiety among too many people. Unrebated pen-

Reversing the charges

sioners with limited savings are desperately concerned that their gerous will-power of the bunker. small nest-eggs will be drained As things stand, the commuaway, while a spendthrift neighnity charge is unacceptable. It bour will get a rebate from the taxes that they pay. The low-paid must be made acceptable. If it is rejected in the year of its launch, will find their household budgets it may be irretrievably doomed. Most backbenchers assumed torn to shreds as they seek to find that in year one, money would be as much as £7 per week extra. made available from the Ex-

The country as a whole will feel that the Government is out of chequer to reduce the overall sympathy with the problems of levels and cushion the impact on losers. At the same time, it was It is being put about that there vital not to be overlavish with can be no significant changes this the grant, for it is the nature of local authorities to lap up what-ever is on offer while charging year. To this Thatcherite Conservative, committed to the continuation of Thatcherite polithe levels they first thought of. True to form, local authorities cies, that is unacceptable. In the past, will-power in pursuit of have made proposals equivalent courageous but correct policies to rate increases of one third. has achieved success. The unions were returned to their Most of these proposals have now been made, so the time is members, industry was reinvigoripe to reduce the unacceptable rated, and the Falklands were impact on the public. Levels

must be brought down.

First, we must deal with the worries of millions of desperately concerned pensioners. Their savings and those of the disabled should not be taken into consideration when assessing who qualifies for rebates. To be disqualified from receiving benefit may be a misfortune; to be disqualified from rebate as well makes it seem as if someone

Second, there is a need for large-scale community charge capping. It is well justified. Even Northamptonshire, a supposedly prudent county, is charging its residents £40 over the odds. This figure has been reached partly because of increased services, and apparently without any attempt to cut current waste.

does not care.

To ensure that the charges do not violate the art of the possible, we will also have to dip into our collective pockets as taxpayers. It has been suggested that in the fight against inflation, tax thresholds should not be indexed, so that the retail price index could be kept down by freezing the tax on beer and tobacco. But it would be far, far better to spend any additional revenue on a national community charge rebate, an equal reduction of the charge for everyone. The impact on the retail price index would be identical. There is no social case for subsidizing the smoker and

the drinker; there is a massive

social (and political) case for

reducing the impact of the

community charge. The prospects of every government are tied to the economy. The prospects of this Government are also tied, as never before, to a single issue: how fairly to finance and constrain local government expenditure.

At the moment, ministers seem so be floundering in unexpected quicksands. With nearly two-and-a-half years to go before an election must be held, there is pleaty of time for a political Houdini to escape. The question is whether the Prime Minister. after 10 years in office, has the skills of the escapologist.

History will rate Margaret Thatcher as one of the 25 greatest influences on the mation's progress since William the Conquerer. History will also be interested in the manner of her departure. Thatcherites believe that the course on which she has so successfully set Britain is the right one. To maintain that course, the overriding requirement is the maintenance of Conservative government. If will-power is distorted into stubboroness, and Mrs Thatcher is finally engulfed in the morass. it will be necessary for the party to struggle free, and as the Wagnerian chorus subsides, the clearest features emerging from the mist are likely to bear a marked resemblance to those of Michael Heseltine.
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for Northampton North.

Freedom red in tooth and claw

Tony Marlow seeks a Thatcherite solution to the poll tax row

David Selbourne, in the second part of a series on German reunification. sees Eastern pride and worth being trampled in Bonn's takeover thrust

very day, between one and two thousand East Germans arrive for resettlement in the Federal Republic. To the majority of West Germans, the plight of their follow-citizens is miscrable and alarming an eye for the main chance vies with anxiety for their own pockets; widespread dismissiveness of East Germany's 40-year history coexists (often in the same person) with a sensitivity to the people's misformus.

The rougher end of vox pop, to which Chancellor Kohl sometimes seems closest, noisily declares - with few dissenters that East Germany is a total failure, is dependent on West German hard cash for rescue, has invited an Anschluss, or annexation, and has not much entitlement to complain about it. Or, more temperately, "they are Germans too and deserve our help" - provided they work for it, stay where they are, and accept with good grace whatever they are given.

Despite such widely held opinions, Germans, East and West, have so far reacted with remarkable steadiness to the present upheaval, Most other societies, our own included, might in started to buckle. Indeed, the scale of what is happening to the two Germanies outfaces the observer. An entire social order is being driven irresistibly into subordination to another, and one which is founded upon wholly different political, economic and constitutional principles. A single fact encapsulates such differences: when East Germany goes to the polls on March 18, only voters approaching their eighties will have taken part previously in a free, nationwide election. Does this represent a democratic liberation, or is it a

West German takeover? Might it even, paradoxically, be both? And does East Germany have anything to contribute to the Federal Republic?

retaken. Will-power in pursuit of

The people in both countries may be phlegmatic, but these questions have thrown the political class and the intelligentsia, left, right and centre, into agita-tion. The far left and the Greens say that Chancellor Kohl has blackmailed East Germany by refusing it economic help until its citizens have established their democratic credentials and formally rid themselves of the communist order. They say he has cheated it, at the moment of its gaining freedom, of the opportunity for true self-determination, leaving it only one option: simple accession to the Federal constitution. Indeed, the German left sees the "semicolonial" chancellor somewhat as the British right sees him: as the archetypal bullish German, pawing the ground and tramp-ling on the necks of others. The West German SPD, though now enthusiastic for reunification, also dislikes the "chaotic stampede to incorporate the GDR", and the imposition upon it of an "unconditional surrender" to

the Federal Republic. Christian Democrats is that East Germany is a mess and its people "desperate to live as we do". Moreover, their fellow-Germans in the East lack both the experience and the "structures" - a free constitution and an autonomous political process - that would permit them to make further progress under the

old dispensation. In other words, they are not being "sold out", because they have nothing; the new Germany will be the old Germany plus 16 million. Any rosier view of the way things stand in East Ger-



many is regarded by the Christian Democrats as wishful or "romantic" thinking; a criticism directed not only at the left but at liberals in the entourage of the foreign minister, Mr Genscher. "It reflects a nostalgic hankering," declared Jürgen Aretz of the Ministry of Inter-German Affairs, "for the dreamworld of our childhoods, when the roads were cobbled here too, when you go to the heart of the matter there is nothing, absolutely nothing that we can take over into

the Federal Republic." But it is not long since the GDR was being regularly cited as the world's tenth-ranking industrial power. How was it that, almost overnight, the GDR became, or came to be seen as, a bankrupt nation? First, because the East Germans themselves, from December last, were saying something like it to Bonn. Second, because the Modrow government was seen to lack the will and ability to introduce the

kind of radical reforms which would have staunched the emigrations. Third, because - rather than taking such action — Modrow sought a 15 billion Deutschmark loan from West Germany and was dispatched empty-handed. Instead, Mr Modrow got an offer of eco-nomic and monetary union on Bonn's terms.

that the East Germans mentality is different, and that "over there, nothing is in order" was merely reinforced by this political collision, Surprisingly, out-and-out disparagement of East Germany as a bankrupt nation on the brink of anarchy is encountered least in the business community. The industrialist Otto Wolff von Amerongen thinks that although the East Germans are "complete amateurs in political science, economics, large areas of tech-nology and robotics", many of the "old German skills and

traditions" survive, along with "Prussian discipline".

At the Deutsche Bank in Frankfort, there are similar judgements. The East, says Norbert Walter, its chief economist, would be bringing not only costs and burdens, but a huge resource of skills, together with its own 40-year-old links with Soviet and other East European markets. The Saxons, he says, are especially hardworking: the prospects for small business in particular are good, and once the legal framework has been altered in favour of free enterprise, substantial investment will

But was it to pass a West German test in production that the crowds massed in Leipzig in their hundreds of thousands last November? Not according to Ibrahim Bohme, East Germany's SPD leader, currently leading the opinion polls for the March 18 elections. He concedes that there is no alternative to "doing things now" - a cuphemism for keeling over to Bonn sooner rather than later but insists that "the Deutschmark is not a gift to the GDR": Kohl's monetary union is needed to "stop people coming over here and plundering us".

e acknowledges that East Germany will be "the weaker part" of a single German republic. "But we are in favour of being treated equally," he says feebly. There is not much chance of it; the horns of the East German dilemma are sharp ones. But Bonn's wounding view that the East has nothing much to offer is flatly rejected. "We had the most peaceful and radical revolution in history, and we will continue to champion the cause of freedom, democracy and social justice. That is what we are bringing to a unified German republic." But West Germany too stands

for these things, and in Bonn such principles, fundamental as they are, butter no persnips. More precariously still, much of the East German electorate, swept along by the ebullience of campaigning politicians, is now dreaming of milk and honey; only the discredited com-munists, such as Gregor Gysi, persistently pour cold water on such false hopes and fancies.

Von Amerongen broadly agrees with Gysi: "The problem is that the people of Leipzig and Dresden think that their shops will be full the day after reunification." Indeed there is the risk of the exodus of impatient East Germans into the Federal Republic continuing if today's expectations founder in unemployment, rising prices and political disillusion.

"They didn't really want an Anschluss," says Dieter Vogel, the Bonn government's spokesman, "Many of them wanted to preserve the special identity of the GDR. But who knows what this identity is? The tragedy for those who made the revolution is that the people themselves wanted to live like us." Whether they will be able to - in East Germany, in Eastern Europe, in the Soviet Union - is another. and more disturbing, matter.

Last exit visa for the band of fellow travellers wonder if Neil Kinnock has the occasional sleepless night

Robert Kilroy-Silk on the communist support chorus that has gone quiet

about his warm embrace of Fidel Castro in Nicaragua a few years ago? I bet he does. It must be just a little embarrassing to be reminded now of the manner in which he greeted one of the few remaining communist dictators. You would have thought that the Labour leader's wife would have learnt from the experience. Not a bit of it. Only a couple of weeks ago she was gushing about the glamour of the now dis-credited and discarded Sandinistas. Even then, before the election, many in the Labour Party must have been embarrassed by her description of the "vitality" of the Sandinista cam-

paign, with its "mustang, sombreros and bandama". That was before the Nicaraguan people showed that they were rather more discerning in their choice of political friends than the wife of the leader of the Labour Party. She does not seem to have had much to say since

Savings & Loan. These men are

waiting for James Stewart to

come in and offer them plangent homilies and boxes of home-ried

another extension to his mort-

gage, and they will accept, for

that is the kind of small town

Or sounds to be. Who can tell

with names? To the untravelled

American, Milton Keynes doubt-

less conjures up a picture of some

idyllic spot where Bloomsbernes

trout flies in exchange for yet

they voiced their opinion. But then there is not much she could say, is there?

She is not the only apologist for foreign regimes who has suddenly found it prudent to be quiet. The cat appears to have got the tongue of many of those who were once vociferous about the virtues of one dictator or another, who flitted in and out of Eastern Europe, holidaying at Black Sea resorts, and who lectured us about the merits of repressive regimes and the evils

There is good reason for their silence. For the first time in recent history the people of these countries have been allowed to speak. They talk a different language, adopt another tone, from that of their would-be Western spokesmen. Some British trade unionists and trendy lefties may have sung the praises of Ceausescu, but the Romanian

people never did. They hated him and all he stood for. Mrs Kinnock might be in a bit of a swoon over the dashing Daniel Ortega, with his "ma-chismo" and his "horse-back campaigning", but the Nica-raguan people were not so easily seduced. They got shot of him at the first opportunity in an election which the Labour lead-

er's wife was among the first to declare, before the results, to be "free and fair". The fate of Ortega is befalling the communist leadership throughout Eastern Europe, despite what their Western supporters would have had us believe about their former popularity. The same fate awaits Fidel Castro, if he ever dares to

The reasons for the dumping of communist dictators is not merely that the people have been enticed by capitalism and desire

have a free election.

Western material possessions arrogantly patronizing assertion and lifestyle. They do, of course. And why not? There is nothing wrong with wanting that part of the good life. The communist leaders enjoyed it, albeit in secret. Nor do the Scargills, the Benns, the Heffers, or even the Kinnocks, eschew it entirely. They all know how to enjoy the

fruits of capitalism.

Nor is the fact that the communist countries have failed to catch up economically with the West the sole cause of their unpopularity and downfall. The real condemnation of the system came from the sheer contempt they demonstrated for the people they affected to serve. Without exception, these regimes treated their peoples with a callous and despicable disregard that cannot be excused or forgiven, not ever. The contempt for the individ-

ual is shown most conspicu-ously, of course, in the

for the people, can confidently shout out how they will vote before they have even cast a ballot paper. In these circumstances there is no need for an election. It is a

short step from that to describe all opposition as enemies, to deny basic freedoms, and to erect an apparatus of terror that will preserve the "real" will of And because the state is allwise it can do what it likes. It

that the leaders know what is

good for everyone, and can speak, like Glenys Kinnock,

razes villages and herds their occupants into collective farms, splits up families and interferes in every single aspect of life, exhibiting, in its hospitals, prisons and industrial policy, a scant regard for the health and safety, still less dignity, of its citizens. These are actions of an ar-

strained by alternatives or by independent sources of power and authority such as elected local councils, trade unions, or the church. They are the consequences of a state machine that is not accountable for what

But what makes it all so much worse is that the leaders are at least tacitly made respectable by some supporters in the safety of the West. They pat Ceausescu on the shoulder, are friendly with Castro, or worship at the shrine of Ortega.

The wife of the Labour leader said that the "poor people of Said that the "poor people or Nicaragua" recognized that they had a government which had given them "dignity and respect". They did not and it had not the spect of the substitute of the spect of the substitute not. That is why they turned it out. That is what they would also do to Fidel, given the chance.
All that the wife of the Labour

All that the wife of the Lauous leader, and Fidel, have to do is to stop speaking for the people and let them speak for themselves.

I have managed to locate Twin Falls, Idaho, in my atlas. It is just up the road from Glens Ferry, and just down the road from Blackfoot. Or, more accurately, up and down the river from them, because Twin Falls lies at the southern extremity of the Snake River Plain, straddling its eponym. It has Shoshone to the north, and Riddle to the West, and Sosa Springs to the east, and Grouse Creek to the south.

It thus sounds as small-town American as it is possible to be. and these sounds interfere incluctably with my vision of it.

If you say those names aloud. Norman Rockwell paints their landscape in your head. You see picket fences and clapboard houses and yellow pick-up trucks and children in plaid mackinaws and ear-muffs throwing snowballs, and beaming men in arm-

The only literary figure in town bands and half-moon spectacles tip, a junky ashram, a missile site. peering out at them from behind It may enjoy the highest murder the windows of the Twin Falls rate in America.

Why do I need to know? I need to know because Twin Falls is where Charles P. Wincott lives, and I need to envisage Charles P. Wincott in his domestic environment. But I cannot even envisage Charles P. Wincott, I do, mind, have a slightly less fuzzy image of him than you do, because I know one thing about him you don't. When you hear his name, it is quite likely that an image materializes of a rather formal Twin Falls citizen: the loll around spouting epic pentam-eters at one another. It could be tor of *The Twin Falls Picayune*, that Twin Falls is an industrial even the mayor.



ALAN Coren

You do not know that he is nine years old. I do, because he has written to me, signing himself "Charles P. Wincott (aged 9)" in a big round pencil script.

dren's books, you reap a special whitiwind: the readers write back. Many of them write back even when they don't want to, because they have been forced to read your book in class, and part of the exercise is to write to the author and make him regret the day he didn't go into dentistry or fish-farming.

American schools are a particular headache on this score, because whole classes write, and often they write the same letter, since this is the way their teacher has pointed them, e.g. "Arthur is on a horse on page 16 but he is not on it on page 23, where has the horse gone or is this a mistake, Now, when you write chil- please write as soon as possible."

You are then stuck with writing 26 individual letters to Alopecia, Wis., at a mailing cost of a tenner, because if you don't they all think you're a rat, and the school board will not buy any more of your books. Since they would have to buy

100 of them for you just to get the tenner back, this is a lousy deal, but you do it anyway, because you don't want to think you're a rat either

And also because the occasional incoming letter lets it be known that the sender wants to be a writer, too, and asks questions about how to get started and where do the ideas come from and do you use a pen or a

typewriter, and although the odds are long against their ever crack-ing it, you feel an incumbency to keep their spirits up, because you might thus stop one or two of them from going into dentistry or fish-farming.

But the truth is, the questions they ask are never the right ones. At least they weren't until Charles P. Wincott came along. I opened his letter yesterday, and I quote his final paragraph

"I want to be a writer, and what I would like to know is how much did you make last year, what car do you drive, and do you have a boat and a beach-house?"

Which is why I need a clear picture both of Charles P. Wincott and of Twin Falls. Idaho. For I rather feel the world will be hearing more of him, and of it, and I want to be able to say I

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CONSTABULARY DUTY

There are 43 separate forces in England and Wales, and police strength currently stands at over 125,000 - an increase of some 22 per cent since 1974. Their interests are represented by three separate associations - the Police Federation, the Superintendents' Association and the Association of Chief Police Officers. Historically, they have had widely differing

Early last year, however, their Joint Consultative Committee formed the view that too much was being expected of a service which was under-resourced in both manpower and equipment. They feared that if the current demand trends continued, the whole concept of policing by consent, which had been valued in this country for so long, "would be lost to the accountants' balance sheet". The Operational Policing Review which was published yesterday is the fruit of their first major research

The review makes no bones about presenting an unashamedly police service perspective on the major policing issues of the day. It is none the worse for that. It relied on the expertise both of external academic consultants and of the Harris Research Centre, and the findings include the results of a national survey on policing style "designed to constrain members of the public to face deployment decisions when only limited resources were available". This is complemented by research conducted among members of the police consultative groups that were established under the terms of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act of 1984.

The central preoccupation informing the review is that the current philosophy of economy, efficiency and effectiveness is foroing police managers to concentrate their resources upon the quantifiable aspects of police work and that the traditional concept of traditional policing - the single constable, close to his community, patrolling his beat with the consent of the public — is being eroded.

The public appear to place this higher in their preferences than many other police activities and deployments. The public also,

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however, exhibits its well-known tendency to want to have it both ways. When asked about the use of police discretion, for instance, there was a consensus that police should be selective in the laws they enforce - aithough most people also considered it important for the police to investigate all crimes.

The review devotes a good deal of attention to the Home office policy of "civilianization". In principle, the release of police officers for operational duties has much to commend it. The lack of career prospects among civilian staff has, however, produced an uncomfortably high wastage rate—up to 28 per cent of civilian establishment in some cases.

There are also disturbing implications for industrial relations. There is no particular history of militancy, but there are now more than 13,000 members of Nalgo in the police

One federation official claimed in his evidence that it was absurd to proscribe industrial action for police officers and then make the service reliant on civilians who enjoy the right to strike. The Metropolitan Police reported that insignificant numbers of staff had taken part in Civil Service strikes in recent years, but admitted that they had no contingency plans to deal with industrial action.

Public confidence in the police has been severely shaken in recent years, and the Operational Policing Review can be seen as one measure of the concern the service feels for its reputation. Its findings also suggest that there is much unfinished business for the Home Office to attend to.

It is plainly not satisfactory that what were intended as efficiency initiatives have in many cases resulted in a lessening of police effectiveness. Improvements in productivity that are not coupled with improvements in service are without value.

The three police associations are to be congratulated on a major initiative. Although the review has no official status, the quality of the work that has gone into it should persuade the Government to give the most careful consideration to the extensive list of recommendations attached to it.

CAUTIOUS MR KING

It is not the task of a defence secretary to speculate in public. A transformation of British defence policy will, nevertheless, have to follow - if it does not precede - the reunification of Germany, the end of the Warsaw Pact and the diminution of the Soviet threat.

In such times, it falls to the responsible minister to formulate the choices with which the Government is confronted. The speech which Mr Tom King gave yesterday to the Royal United Services Institute did not do a great deal to illuminate government thinking in any of these areas.

Those who had expected to hear something Germany were disappointed. Preliminary talks begin today in Berlin to pave the way for a "two-plus-four" conference, which would pro-vide the political framework within which the German nation may exercise its right to selfdetermination. This solemn diplomatic pavan will, however, speedily result in trampled toes unless Nato members can agree in advance on the military status of East Germany following reunification.

The field is still occupied in solitary splendour by the idea, first proposed by Herr Genscher, of a demilitarized zone encompassing the whole of East Germany. Berlin, as the putative and undivided capital of a unified Germany, would evidently require very careful handling indeed. The Genscher plan is provisional. It would at best meet present Soviet objections to a single Germany within Nato, while leaving unanswered the longerterm question of how to enforce such a drastic limitation of German sovereignty in the military sphere.

Mr King yesterday repeated that Nato forces should not, for the foreseeable future, be stationed beyond the present inner-German border. But he did not even raise the question of how long Soviet forces should remain on German soil after reantification.

Disdaining avaricious talk of a "peace dividend", Mr King left his andience in no doubt that the Government still believes in the threat posed by the Soviet military machine. But he did not explain how he proposes to convince our manifestly doubtful allies of the force of this proposition. Nor did he examine (even if only to reject) the thesis, now fashionable on both sides of the Atlantic, that a new Pan-European security system, embracing both alliances, is both inevitable and desirable.

There are reasons, some of them good ones, for the Defence Secretary's reticence. It would tainly not have been politic for Mr King to lift the curtain on the size and composition of British armed forces, at home and abroad, in the various options now under consideration by his advisers.

Nor, on the eve of sensitive negotiations in Berlin, could Mr King be expected to prejudge such delicate questions as the security implications of an East German accession to the Federal Republic under Article 23 of the latter's Constitution. Though this might be the most painless form of unification for the Germans themselves, and is now acceptable to both main parties there, it could precipitate a crisis in East-West relations.

Voluntary absorption of one German state by the other would leave the Soviet troops in limbo, with incalculable effects on Moscow's future policy. This potentially explosive situation might arise soon after the East German election on March 18.

Nobody expects elaborate 10-point plans from Mr King. He undoubtedly deserves sympathy in his efforts to master an increasingly bewildering brief. Perhaps he will find another occasion before too long to offer some insight into the way government policy is shaping.

CLOSING DOWN RABTA

The disclosures by Western intelligence that Libyan production of chemical weapons has resumed are obviously a cause of grave concern. Poison gases, and nerve agents in particular, are potentially genocidal instruments of war. In the hands of a leader as paranoid as Colonel Gadaffi, they require urgent international intervention.

It is only through international action that he has them. The involvement of West German industry in helping to build the notorious factory at Rabta is a source of great embarrassment in Bonn. Moreover, the materials it is using and the technical expertise required to run it have been supplied by countries round the world. Last year the European Community reinforced an export ban on eight precursors - chemicals essential for poison gas production. But more than 20 countries, mostly in the Third World, are already thought to have a manufacturing facility. According to a US intelligence report Colonel Gadaffi has now produced 30 tons of mustard gas and 150 bombs.

The developed world cannot blame anyone but itself for this proliferation. Britain destroyed its chemical weapons in the 1950s and France denies having any. Although the superpowers are now starting to destroy existing stocks it has taken them a long time to get round to it. Two years ago the United States ended a 18-year moratorium on production and launched a \$3 billion programme to build one million of the most modern binary weapons in 10 years. These are meant to replace rather than supplement older systems. None the less it hardly seemed a very persuasive example to set before the develop-

ing world. Attempts have been made since the end of the last century to negotiate a worldwide ban,

but the only real achievement in all those years has been the 1925 Geneva Protocol when the nations, horrified by the 1.3 million casualties of the First World War, agreed to outlaw the use of poison gases. Where the Protocol fell short was in failing to ban production and stockpiling. The Conference on Disarmament in Geneva has been trying for years to complete the global ban - so far without success.

It is a difficult treaty to negotiate, partly because many of the chemicals needed are also used for legitimate civil purposes, partly because compliance is so difficult to verify that they are having to insist on a regime of "challenge inspections". Members of the international inspectorate should be free to go anywhere at any time if they are really to ensure there is no cheating. Some of the 40 nations represented in Geneva have found this too intrusive.

For several years they have been claiming to be on the verge of a breakthrough, and with a draft agreement on the table, they may now be close to that. Even now, however, amid alarming talk from Rabta, the powers cannot agree on instant action. The West Germans want to send a team of inspectors to investigate on the spot, but unless they arrived unannounced, they could easily be bamboozled by the Libyans. The Americans, in seeking the immediate closure of Rabta, have the right idea - although how that might be brought about is more difficult.

Force of arms must remain the ultimate sanction of the West. There are other means of applying pressure first, by tightening the screws economically and politically. They can only be applied if the countries concerned achieve a greater degree of unity and determination than they have shown themselves capable of so far.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Soviet elections

From Mr David Alton, MP for Mossley Hill (Liberal Democrat) and others

Sir, The elections in the three Slavic republics of Russia, Ukraine and Belorussia were an important milestone in the processes now under way in the USSR towards greater democracy and sovereignty. Yet, although they have been hailed in the usual manner in the West as "the first multi-party free elections in the USSR since 1917, they have fallen far short of what we understand to be fair and free elections in a perliamentary multiparty democracy.

In Ultraine, the main oppo-sition to the Communist Party, the Popular Movement (Rukh) was not registered in time to put forward candidates. Meanwhile. the manifesto of the "Democratic Bloc", formed to fight the elec-tions but only allowed to contest 30 per cent of the sents, was not published in a single official newspaper. Even the candidates of the registered organisation "Green World" were not recognised.

Democratic candidates have been vilified in the media, beaten up by "unknown assailants" and not allowed access to facilities to print election leaflets; whilst, in the run-up to the elections, the KGB and party apparatus delib-erately attempted to incite interethnic strife and pogroms in order to justify repressive measures against the democratic opposition.

Reports which we have received from Kiev also testify to the desperate methods used by the Communist Party to ensure that they do not lose the elections (leading party members have tried to ensure their election by standing in rural districts). This has included refusing to register "Rukh" observers, not scaling ballot boxes, and in some electoral districts of Kiev there were not enough ballot papers, suggesting that they had either been de-stroyed or filled in by the Communist Party themselves.

Nevertheless, despite all the rechimations of the Communist Party apparatus, the indications are that the Democratic Bloc, reformist communists, and deputies from the strike committees will account for approximately three quarters of the deputies in the new Ukrainian Parliament after the run-off on March 18.

Returns show that the Com-munist Party has fared badly in the city of Kiev, whereas in western Ukraine the Democratic Bloc has won nearly all the sents. accment consequently, that Rukh will now transform itself into a political party stand-ing for an independent and democratic Ultraine, will have reper-cussions not only in the USSR but also throughout Europe. Yours faithfully, DAVID ALTON (Honorary Chairman, European Ukrainian Cultural and Educational Foundation), TARAS KUZIO

(Ukrainian Press Agency), STEFAN KRYWAWYCH (Ukrainian Helsinki Union (British branch)), 78b Kensington Park Road, W11.

Alcohol abuse From the Director of the

Portman Group Sir, Viscount Falkland (March 8) does me an injustice. It is true the Portman Group is funded by the eight major drinks companies, but I have never allowed my paymasters to restrict my independence

and I do not propose to start now. "If I think one of their advertisements is deliberately aimed at young people under 18, 1 shall do everything I can to have it withdrawn. And if Lord Falkland withet to draw such an advertisement to my attention, I shall be glad to hear from him. Yours faithfully, JOHN RAE, Director,

The Portman Group, 2d Wimpole Street, W1.

Entente cordiale From the British Consul-General,

Sir, Mr Morgan (March 6) is somewhat niggardly in asserting that "the metric system is one of the few genuinely useful things the French have given us". More than half the words in his letter came to English from French! Yours faithfully, TREVOR MOUND, H. M. Consul-General. 24 Avenue du Prado, 13006 Marmellles, France.

The Three Graces'

From the Chairman of the National Art-Collections Fund Sir, Mr Incob Rothschild's scheme Museums and galleries have for rescuing Canova's stame of "The Three Graces" (report, February 24, letters, March 2, 6) from export is ingenious and welcome. Whether it succeeds or not, Britain has a big problem, well illustrated by the case of the

Britain's past relative wealth cosured an accumulation of fine works of visual art. Those in acceptable collections curich the cultural experience of British people. They also attract overseas visitors, to our great economic gain. The trouble is that today there are much richer nations.

It is therefore inevitable that many other notable works of art will be bought from British collec-tions at historically high prices. Many of them we will want to keep here because it would be wise

Foul play fear in Plea for patience on Unesco future From Mr Alan Elliott problems in working towards such

Sir, The news you conveyed (report and leading article, March 7) concerning the director-general of Unesco's high-level staff appointments is indeed surprising to both Unesco's friends and critics, particularly as be had given evidence to the Foreign Affairs Committee at the House of Commons only last Thursday.

However, as our permanent observer at Unesco headquarters pointed out to the committee yesterday, we should be able to study the 70-page document in which these proposals are contained before passing further

The Government is at present engaged in the important exercise of deciding whether or not the UK should return to membership. Unfortunately this issue is invariably clouded by endless and inconclusive arguments as to how well Unesco and its directorgeneral are currently performing. On that score there will always be different viewpoints.

A more fundamental issue lies in the recognition or otherwise of the validity of the principles underlying all Unesco's activity. These include "full and equal opportunities for education for all, the unrestricted pursuit of objective truth, and the free exchange of ideas and knowledge" and many others which no civilized govern-ment should fail to support. There are admittedly many

Poll tax anomalies

From Councillor Steven Cawley Sir, It is ironic that you chose today (March 3) to publish the poll tax liabilities of members of the Cabinet upon the same page as an item entitled "A tale of two

A close inspection of the Cabinet's poll tax demands will reveal that John Wakeham, the Energy Secretary, has chosen to pay his poll tax in the Conservative-controlled Maldon borough of his South Cokchester and Maldon constituency, thereby facing a levy some 20 per cent above the Government's estimate.

Yours sincerely STEVE CAWLEY (Deputy leader, Liberal Democrats, Colchester Borough Council). Colchester, Esser, March 1.

From Mr Charles F. Wilson

Mental health cuts Front the Director of the National Schizophrenia Fellowship

Sir, Your Social Services Corres pondent (report, March 1) describes the situation at the internationally renowned psychiatric hospital in south London, the Maudsley, where cuts "would lead to suicidal patients living on the streets, and abused children being sent back to their homes".

Over recent years the National Schizophrenia Fellowship has been drawing attention to the programme of closure and run down of psychiatric hospitals in England and Wales. In the last 10 years 23,000 mental hospital beds have been lost and only 4,000 residential places have been pro-

Past services

From Mr Antony Randle Sir, There are noted in your columns today the retirement an archdeacon and the mover of a canon from one diocese to another, with the intimation that each is to retain the title of his previous appointment, garnished with the word "Emerine"

Emeritus is a Latin adjective suggesting that whoever is so qualified is past his work, or has been discharged with honour from service. Ovid uses it of horses (Fasti, IV, 1.688). Why clergymen of the Church of England should be keen to to describe themselves I cannot think. Neither of the brace of retired archdencons I know has ever admitted to me that he is past it; and at the notion of an honourably discharged canon ruat caelum!

Deans, archdeacons, and canons emeriti abound; yet the most famous of modern deans would

ANTONY RANDLE, Warwick

to do so. The present funding bodies will not be able to afford

only limited funds. The National Heritage Memorial Fund has a state grant of only £3 million a year, and has a remit far wider than works of art. National Art-Collections Fund has only about £1.25 million a year available for grants, entirely from private

Other than a ban on exports, which I believe would be wrong in principle, there is no solution to this problem. It is unlikely there ever will be, since Britain's relstive economic position in the world is unlikely again to rival the USA or Japan. Amelioration is however pos-

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But it is a major specialized agency of the United Nations system which cannot be lightly neglected. Nothing can be achieved by standing aside and suggesting that other means should be used, thus giving comfort to all those who do not really

The UK was a founder-member of Unesco, and many of the organization's present problems can be attributed to a lack of effective action by the UK and USA in its governing bodies. The situation you are now so ready to criticize might not have arisen if the UK (and USA) had remained member states, and above all

believe that the principles on which Unesco is based need be

supported.

ends and Unesco is by no means the only vehicle for that purpose.

members of the executive board. Even if you support the Govern-ment's view that it served a useful purpose in withdrawing, there is still no justification for jumping too hastily to conclusions and sending the wrong message to other countries at this critical time by maintaining, as you do, that there should be no question of a Uritish resurts.

Yours faithfully ALAN ELLIOTT (Honorary Secretary, Friends of Unesco), Paddock End, Buristead Road, Great Shelford, Cambridge.

the new rates system and for 1990-

91 will probably pay only one-seventh of their due responsibility.

Innumerable other commercial concerns will similarly benefit.

inversely, some rate savings will be held back

for community charge payers would have been more equitable?

i suggest three years.

14 Royal Chase, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

From Major Henry Haydon

Sir, I have a number of

friends/acquaintances in the south part of the London Borough of

Sutton where I live, who will pay

with effect from April this year

anything between £1,000 and

£2,000 p.a. less than they now pay

On the other hand, at the north

end of the borough there are many

couples, now living in low-rated properties, who will be paying between £100 and £300 p.s. more

Why, if at national level income

tax is accepted as a fair and

practical way of raising revenue, is

a local income tax not similarly

HENRY HAYDON (Chairman,

National Union of Ratepayers'

than they are now paying.

eccepted at local level?

Associations), 116 Sandy Lane South,

Wallington, Surrey.

Yours truly, C. F. WILSON,

Surely some breaking-in period

Were Mr Wakeham fortunate enough to live in the Liberal Democrat-run Colchester borough area of his constituency then not only would be pay less, but he would also have the satisfaction of paying to his borough council a sum exactly equal to the Govern-ment's standard spending assess-

Lord (March 3), urges "Poll tax: just give it time". Unhappily, a fair tax has been brought in too abruptly. Harrods have been given five years, very likely much more, in which to adjust themselves to

vided in the community. In the next five years another 38 hos-pitals are due to close with at least

another 12,500 places lost. If this policy were co-ordinated to provide alternative provision and support in the community for those discharged from mental hospital, then an improved quality of life might be possible. However, if cuts are going to occur in the manner that is taking place now, the Government must realise that they are beading for a major social disaster.

Yours sincerely, JUDY WELEMINSKY, Director, National Schizophrenia Fellowship, NSF National Office, 78 Victoria Road. Surbiton, Surrey.

have nothing to do with it. When his occupancy of St Paul's

Deanery came to its end, Inge wrote as his final entry in the decanal diary, — back to trousers. And in subsequent pages of the directory we know as Crockford he claimed no more reverence than is usually accorded the inferior clergy. Sincerely

Sixteen, Blacklow Road, February 22.

sible and very desirable. Amelioration means more realistic purchasing grants for museums and galleries, a realistic annual grant for the National Heritage Memorial Fund and a revision of tax laws to permit people and companies to write off gifts of works of art to museums and galieries (or of cash for the purchase of such gifts) against conuel tax bills.

These are all matters for the Treasury to consider. I and many others who work hard to enrich, or at least maintain, Britain's cultural life, have proposed them all to ministers and Civil Servants. Our able new Chancellor of the Exchequer has a chance to earn some good marks in his first year. I hope he does.

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS GOODISON, Chairman,

National Art-Collections Fund, 20 John Islip Street, SWI.

Leukaemia links beyond Sellafield From Dr Colin Bowlt

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Sir, I was sorry to see that your Medical Correspondent has given a further airing (Medical Biefing, March 1) to the tale that the BMJ report by Professor Martin Gard-ner "clearly demonstrates a link between young people at Sellafield who developed leukaemia or lymphoma ... and the degree of exposure to radiation which their fathers had suffered while at work at the plant".

It is actually far from clear, as Professor Gardner's paper shows. For instance, the risk of leukaemia in children of iron and steel workers and also farmers in West Cumbria is as high as for Sellafield workers, yet Professor Gardner concentrates on Sellafield workers and looks no further at links with the steel industry and farming.

To accept that the sub-group of children whose fathers received more than 100 milliSieverts before they were conceived had a sixfold risk of developing leukaemia cannot be right — we are dealing in small numbers (nine cases in 35 years for Sellafield), so statistical conclusions are of necessity im-

ncecise. Professor Gardner shows that the risk is probably somewhere between 1.4 and 50 times the normal risk, with an average of about six times; but he also shows that the children of fathers receiving between 50 and 90 mSv before their conception have only threequarters of the risk of leukaemia as those of non-irradiated fathers. If this is true, then childhood leukae-mia could be actually reduced by some irradiation. Yours faithfully.

COLIN BOWLT, Medical College of St Bartholomew's Hospital, Department of Radiation Biology, Charterhouse Square, EC1. March 2

Student loans

From Mr William Allen Sir, Student loans crept into the American university world during the depression of the 1930s as a way of helping students in bad times. In Canada I think we avoided their use entirely, not through affluence but because it was regarded as a retrograde and

counter-productive policy. The main reason was that university education was not regarded as a privilege but was seen as a nationally necessary invest-ment to ensure an adequate flow of people with the kind of ad-vanced knowledge base needed for a strong and healthy country active in the modern world. It was a natural end-point of primary and secondary education for those

who could benefit from it. The students' view was more could not be by any means sure of getting work by which to repay a loan and therefore one dign't want that risk. I was tested myself by applying for a scholarship for advanced study at two east coast US universities. I was a successful applicant in both cases, but then found that the "awards" were to be loans, so I rejected them and

came to Britain. The relative prosperity of this country at present may reduce the fear of indebtedness but it does not invalidate the main argument. Britain needs all the universitytrained people it can produce and a loan scheme is likely to impede rather than facilitate this. The vice-chancellors are right. Yours faithfully, WILLIAM ALLEN, The Athenaeum,

House in the country From Mr John Mein

Pall Mall, SW1.

Sir, How refreshing to read (report and photograph, March 6) that Mr Bill Woods wants to build himself a "classical" mansion in the English countryside, albeit on green belt land. To spend £2 million building a stately home when there are mansions aplenty on the market at a quarter of the price suggests eccentricity; yet it was just this bravura in the past that created the landscapes of

In the guise of progress Twyford Down can be sliced in half, and a thousand green Kentish acres raped for the Channel tunnel, and the most hideous agricultural buildings plonked down all over our green belt areas. Yet Mr Woods may not create a landscaped park.

I hope he gets planning permission eventually. After all, his mansion looks peaceful enough nothing better (or worse) than Norman Shaw might have drawn up over a good dinner with Aston Webb.

Yours faithfully, JOHN MEIN. Latimer House Church Street, W4. March 7.

Seasonal greetings

From Mrs R. Galvan Sir, I have recently given my eldest grandchild, for her birthday, a primrose bearing her name, Dawn. She was delighted and has

promised to care for the plants. What do your readers suggest as suitable plants for her sisters' birthdays, Lorraine in October, Carmel in June and Stella in March, that might nurture an interest in gardening? Yours faithfully, NETTA GALVAN, 130 College Road, SE19.

March 5.

COURT CIRCIII.AR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March 8: His Excellency Senor Don José J. Puig de la Bellacasa and Senora Piug de la Bellacasa were received in farewell audiwere received in garewell audi-ence by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Spain

to the Court of St James's.
Mr David J. Wright was received in andience by The Queen upon relinquishing his appointment as Deputy Private Secretary to The Prince of Wales, when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Lieutenant of the Royal Victorian Order, and then kissed nds upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary at Seoul

Mrs Wright was also received by Her Majesty. Mr William Slack was received by The Queen upon his retirement as Serjeant-Surgeon to Her Majesty when The Queen conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the

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Royal Victorian Order. The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon visited the Royal Over-Seas League at Over-Seas House, London SWI, to mark the League's 80th

nniversary. Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received by the Lord Mayor of Westminster (Councillor Simon Mabey), the Lord Grey of Naumon (Presi-dent, Royal Over-Seas League), and Sir Lawrence Byford

(Chairman). The Countess of Airlie, Sir Kenneth Scott, and Wing Com-mander David Walker, RAF,

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron, attended the Chartered Society of Designers' Jubilee
Thanksgiving Service at St
George's, Bloomsbury, London,
WC1, and afterwards attended a reception at the Society's Headquarters, 29, Bedford Square. His Royal Highness was received by Mr Rodney Fitch (President of the Society). Major Sir Guy Acland, Bt,

The Princess Royal this afternoon attended the Royal Associ-ation of British Dairy Farmers' atton of British Dairy Farmers' attended a meeting of the Jac-Conference, followed by a queline du Pré Memorial Fund dinner at the Abbey Hotel, at 14 Ogle Street, London WI.

Malvern, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Hereford and Worcester (Mr Mrs Richard Carew Pole was

CLARENCE HOUSE March 8: Brigadier Shirley Neild today had the bonour of being today had the bonour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Commandant-in-Chief, Women's Royal Army Corps, upon relinquishing her appointment as Director of the Corps.

Brigadier Gael Ramsay also had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming her appointment as Director, Women's Royal Army Corps.

Corps.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen

Mother, Colonel-in-Chief, honoured Past and Present Colonels and Commanding Officers of The Queen's Bays and the 1st The Queen's Dragoon Guards with her presence at hunchen at the Cavalra and at luncheon at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

Mrs Patrick Campbell-Pres-

ton and Major John Griffin were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE March 8: The Prince of Wales received Sir Georg Solri at

Kensington Palace.
The Princess of Wales visited the Solihull Juvenile Centre, Craig Croft, Chelmsley Wood, Solihull, West Midlands.

Subsequently Her Royal lighness opened the "Careers Highness opened the "Careers for the 1990s" Exhibition at the National Exhibition Centre. Finally The Princess of Wales, Patron, Child Accident Prevention Trust, visited the Birmingham Accident Hospital,

Bath Row, Burningham.
Her Royal Highness was received by the Rt Hon the Earl of Aylesford, Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for West Midlands, The Hon Mrs Vivian Baring

KENSINGTON PALACE March 8: The Duchess of Gloucester this afternoon opened the "Women and Health" Conference for The National Council of Women of Great Britain at the Commonwealth Institute, London, W8. Mrs Euan McCorquodale was

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE March 8: The Duchess of Kent, as a Trustee, this afternoon

Mr J.M. May and Miss D.J.E. Sadler

and Miss A.M. Leyland

Mr J. Slasons

The engagement is announced between John Ward, twin son of

Mr and Mrs Louis Sanderson, of

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr Michael Sissons, of Clanville, nr

The engagement is announced

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr and Mrs George May, of Upminster, Essex, and Deborah, daughter of Mr and

Mrs Brian Sadler, of Tarporley,

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.F. Abell and Miss S.C. van Oudgaarden The engagement is announced between James Foster, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Tim Abell, of Up Nately, Hampshire, and Suzanne Charlotte, younger daughter of Mr N.A. van Oudgaarden, of Rotterdam, Holland, and Mrs M.D. van Oudgrarden, of Poppleton, Mr W.J. Editable

Mr N. Baldwin

and Mrs A.I. Downes

The engagement is announced between Nigel, second son of Mr and Mrs W.F.J. Ricchie, of Walton on Thames, Surrey, and Felicity, only daughter of Mr and Mrs A.M. Coane, of Oxshott, Surrey.

Louise, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Dowkes, of South Kilvington, Toirsk, Yorkshire.

Mr B.D. Briggs
and Miss A.E.S. Sector
The engagement is announced between Barnaby, elder son of Mr and Mrs Michael Briggs, of Mrs and Mrs Michael Briggs, of Tuxford, Nottinghamshire, and Midford Castle, Bath, and Alice, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Bill Leyland, of Adrian Secker, of Bridgefoot, Edenbridge, Kent.

lver, Bucks. Mr R.M.O. Golding med Miles S.J.Jl. Dol The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Dr and Mrs Anthony Golding, of St John's Wood, London, and Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Robin Dolman, of Horsell,

Andover, and Mrs Nicola Sissons, of Headington, Oxford, and Nicola, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Simon Buller, of Mr C.E. Gow The engagement is announced Mr M.G. Talbot between Charles Edward, elder and Miss G.M.M. Scher

The Dog House, Hankham, Pevensey, East Sussex, and Karin Maria Christina, only daughter of Colonel and Mrs Gustaf Diurin, of Utsiksvagen 15, Strangnas, Sweden.

Mr C.R.E. Hunt and Miss C.J. Piper The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and between Charles, younger son of Mrs Alan Taylor-Smith, Mr and Mrs Rodney Hunt, of Westerham, Kent, and Gerrards Cross, Buckingham-shire, and Caroline, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Clifford Malaga, Spain.

Mr A. Lewis and Miss M-L. Champion
The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Mr and Mrs R. Lewis, of Fareham, Hampshire, and Marie-Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs N.J. Champion, of Earls Colne,

Service dinners Corps of Royal Engineers General Sir George Cooper, Chief Royal Engineer, presided at a Corps of Royal Engineers dinner held last night at Brompton Barracks, Charmann. prompton partects, Chitment.

Among the guests were:

General Sir Martin Farndele, Lloutenant-General Sir Martin Carrod. Air

Marshal Sir Peter Balrato, Sir William

Bartow, Mr Alah C Curtis, Mr A R

Martow, Mp, Major General C E G

O N Idris Peterce and Colonal C T

Wyatt.

Mounted Infantry Club sided at the annual dinner of the Mounted Infantry Club held last night at Boodle's. General Sir Robert Pascoe and Mr Hugh Thomas were among those

Oxford University Officers' Training Corps Mr Michael Mates, MP, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Oxford University Officers' Training Corps held last night at Rhodes House. General Sir John Chapple, Honorary Colonel, and Lieutenant-Colonel G.N.R. Sayle. Commanding Officer, presided.

Birthdays today

of Bideford, North Devon, and Wendy, only daughter of Dr John Bonn and Mrs Audrey

and Dr W.A. Bonn

Bonn, of London.

Mr Bill Beaumont, rugby player, George's House, Windsor Castle, 70; M André Courreges, fashion designer, 67; Sir Rousleyn Cumming-Bruce, former Lord Justice of Appeal, 78; Mr Bobby Eischer cheer player Mr Bobby Fischer, chess player. Mr Bobby Fischer, chess player,
47; Mr John Golding, trades
unionist, 59; Major-General J.P.
Groom, former director-general, Guide Dogs for the Blind
Association, 61; Professor Sir
Donald Harrison, laryngologist
and otologist, 65; Dr T.L.
Johnston former principal and

Thomas Dunne).

at the age of 77, British urban sociology loses one of its most creative and original thinkers. Her active academic career spanned more than 50 years, from a study of youth unemployment in pre-Nazi Berlin (1932) to a characteristically lively introduction to her collected essays, Cliches of Urban Doom (1988).

Over this period she addressed a series of distinctive themes, in each case laying down foundations that have served as a secure basis for subsequent work by other social scientists.

The first of these was her involvement in town planning and its social context. Shortly before the Second World War she was born on June 30, 1912 - she was responsible for a pioneering community study of the LCC's new cortage estate at Watting. Her report still reads freshly and the problems that she expose notably the difficulties of developing adequate social institutions in new housing developments, are still only too relevant. For once, the label "classic study" is fully deserved.

After working on a variant of the same issue of community structures in Bethnal Green, Glass spent some time on the staff of the Ministry of Town and Country Planning during the blissful post-war dawn of systematic statutory planning in Britain, when a sensitivity to

With the death of Ruth Glass on March 7 human needs, which later evaporated, was still evident. After her return to academic life Ruth Glass continued to keep a watchful eye on planners and devoted a number of influential essays to reviewing their performance and chiding them when their appetite for social engineering became too evident.

Meanwhile, she had developed a major new interest, in the situation and status of minorities. Ruth Glass was among the first to fasten on the consequences of the migration from the Caribbean to London, which had built up rapidly during the course of the 1950s. In a briskly written and argued book, Newcomers, she made a convincing case for Britain to respond positively to the arrival of a group of migrants with substantial skills to offer and a strong commitment to our society and its values. That their aspirations were so brutally betrayed was an offence which Ruth Glass found it impossible to forgive. Her study remains a benchmark in the academic study of race relations.

A further major contribution was to the study of housing issues in London. After the Milner-Holland Report exposed the full extent of London's crisis. she produced both a report for the London Borough of Camden and a general review of social change in London and its broader implications.

Despite the range and depth of her interests, Ruth Glass's output, considered purely in terms of quantity, was not large, and the Centre for Urban Studies at University College London, which she directed for many years, did not develop as its original supporters might have

OBITUARIES

RUTH GLASS

hoped. But her influence was reflected in her long Chairmanship of the Urban So-ciological Research Committee of the International Sociological Association. But this influence did not depend upon committee membership; it owed far more to the force of her personality. Her special loathing was for lazy or parasitic thinking — what she once called "simple recipes taken from short order cook books". Equally, she disliked the pretentious: those who stretched "dusty dogmas and Utopian dreams" beyond their real significance.

She was an effective polemicist, both at academic meetings and in print. She used the columns of *The Times* to great effect to attack those who used myths about immigrants to stir up moral panic. Later, she was equally hard on some myth-makers on the Left — she had a particular dislike of the cloudy cliches of fashionable post-1968 Marxism.

Her second husband, the demographer, David Glass, predeceased her; their son and daughter survive her.



CETIN EMEÇ

Columnist who defied terrorism in Turkey

Life-long Marxist and prolific author Jack Lindsay, AO, the Austra-lian-born Marxist author died

JACK LINDSAY

founded the Fanfrolico Press,

and published many transla-

tions from classical authors —

including Aristophanes,

Petronius, Theocritus and

Catullus; some of these vol-

umes were illustrated by his

Until 1930, when his press

went broke. Lindsay had writ-

ten mostly poetry. Now he

went to Cornwall and evolved

a complex Marxist synthesis

of what he called "the timeless

From 1931 he was writing

the Temple, officiated and Sir Ian Percival, QC, Treasurer of

the Inner Temple, read the lesson. Mr Robert Gardiner

read a letter written to Lord Gardiner by his former house

master at Harrow and Mr Thomas Legg read a quotation

from a speech made in 1814 by Sir Samuel Romilly. Mr Nor-man Marsh, QC, gave an

address.
Mr Marsh described Lord

Gardiner as "a brilliant ad-vocate, a reforming Lord Chan-cellor and a selfless protagonist

of many liberal and humane

He said that although Lord Gardioner was justly famed for his advocacy, the secret of his effectiveness lay in the care with

which he learned to prepare his cases as a junior.

The crystal lucidity of his speeches as a leader at the Bar and later in debates in the House

of Lords was only possible because of his complete mastery of the underlying facts and, so

far as necessary, of the law. His own modesty, and perhaps in-hibitions about his study of law

at Oxford, which had been crowded out by the claims of speaking at the Union and acting with the OUDS, largely

account for the often expressed

set up a poor man's lawyer

centre in Shoreditch.

present of the poetic image'

father.

Freud.

yesterday aged 89. Lindsay, who had been long domiciled in England, was an immensely learned man whose contribution to letters includes novels, literary criticism, plays, biography, history and some excellent classical translations. His Marxistri was of an almost touchingly pure sort. It was sorely tried by Stalinism and its excesses, as well as by the acts of aggression perpetrated by subsequent Soviet regimes, externally against neighouring countries, internally against human dignity. But he never gave up his adherence to socialist idealism.

It was a stance which robbed his work of the serious attention it deserves. It also laid him open to the not altogether undeserved charge that, politically speaking he was over-optimistic, not to say naive. Nevertheless, a surprising amount of his work has an enduring quality - his critical works and biographies more so, perhaps than his fiction as his approach was often far less didactic than those who only knew of him by reputation might have assumed.

Jack Lindsay was born in Melbourne on October 20, 1900, into a circle of thriving literary and artistic activity. He was the son of the artist important books, the chief of Paul Eluard and the Run and writer Norman Lindsay, and brother of the historical novelist Philip Lindsay.

He graduated with firstclass honours in Classics from novels - over a million copies the University of Queensland were sold in Soviet Russia, in in 1921. After efforts to start a translation - based on a literary movement in Sydney

— he called them "largely misdirected" - he emigrated There were 38 of these, with to London in 1926. He co- two books of short stories. In and their son and daughter.

the historical novels he kept very close to facts; the contemporary ones, which he called Contemporary Novels of the British Way", concentrate on the "socialist ideal", but not in any markedly dogmatic way they were under-reviewed in Great Britain because of the author's open commitment to Marxism

them non Marxists - in the 1930s, and was well liked. One of his anti Fascist "declamator poems" was performed in Trafalgar Square in early 1939, before an audience of several thousands. He was called up in 1941 and served in the Signal Corps until 1943, when he was transferred to the War Office to work on the new army theatre.

erni plays.

"the tragic pattern of (pol-itical) conflict" and "the related pattern of death-rebirth" which he discovered from his religious and anthropological studies, and from his reading of Blake (upon whom he wrote which was published in 1978), man-Fi Nietzsche, Shakespeare and Tzars.

dialectical method he had worked out in Cornwall more than 170 books.

He leaves his widow, Meta,

March 7 has been claimed by a daily. hitherto unknown group of Bor Islamic fundamentalists, belonged to the elite of Turkish iournalism - the small group country-wide following.

Lindsay associated with many other writers - many of and in countries where under in Ankara last month of Professor Muammer Aksoy, a leading secularist, prominent iournalists were among the

In addition to his lively novels and translations, Lindsay wrote valuable biographies of Blake, Mark Antony, Jon Bunyan, Dick-ens, Cezanne, Cleopatra, Helen of Troy and Gainsborough. He also wrote sev-

His invaluable autobiographical works are The Roaring Twenties (1960), on Australian literary life; Fanfrolico and After, and Meetings with Poets — on Edith Sitwell, Louis Aragon, nian-French dadaist, Tristan Among his honours was the

In 1981 he was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO). A prodigious worker, he wrote, edited or translated

of daily columnists with a Their views are as influential as they are opinionated palatable opinions are not easily tolerated they expose the author to considerable personal risk. After the mur-

first to be given police protec-Exceptionally among col-umnists, Cetin Emec was

Born in Istanbul in 1935, he

was the son of the journalist Selim Ragip Emec, whose ment board when he decided newspaper Son Posta was an early standard-bearer of the westernising reforms of Ke-mal Ataturk. Cetin started contributing to his father's newspaper when he was still at school. After graduating from the Istanbul law faculty, he moved to Hayat, an illustrated news weekly which successfully imported the Paris Match formula, and then became editor of the weekend supplement of the liberal Hurriyet.

In 1983 Emec became editor-in-chief of the left-liberal Milliyet, occupying the office newspaper managers. His own writer of the day, who was expenditure.

Cetin Emec, whose murder at column appeared in Hurriyet, murdered by a right wing the age of 54 in Istanbul on the country's biggest-selling terrorist in 1979. In 1986 Emec returned to Hurrivet as general co-ordinator. He retained his seat on the manageto devote himself to his daily

> His last article, which appeared yesterday, was a ringing denunciation of

> Emec pointed the finger at the Syrian ruler Hafiz al-Assad, expressing doubts also about good intentions of the latter's Arab rival, President Saddam Husain of Iraq. But he noted that Turkey itself provided fertile soil for the seeds of terronsm.

Emec's conclusion was that his country was not so much known also as one of Turkey's of Abdi Ipekci, the renowned obliged as condemned to most successful editors and Turkish editor and leader maintain large-scale defence obliged as condemned to

DOUGLAS BLAIR, QC

A persuasive and fearless courtroom style

The sudden death of Douglas a strong analytical mind Glenalmond, and Pembroke Blair, QC, at the age of 49 which allowed him to grasp College, Cambridge. He was Biair, QC, at the age of 49 from a cerebral haemorrhage has come as a bitter blow to his Chambers and his many Bar. He had great natural professional integrity. advantages as an advocate: his

Blair spent a good deal of USSR's Order of Merit (1968). his time in the senior criminal courts, but he could (and did) enjoyed in great measure.

argue as effectively in front of Douglas MacColl Blair a Chancery Judge or the Official Referee as before an Old Bailey Jury. He succeeded because he always mastered

the strengths and weaknesses of both sides. This was combined with a fearless presentafriends and colleagues at the tion of his case and absolute

What his friends will miss height, bearing and effortless more than anything, however, in 1986 and had only taken courtesy. will be a that wonderfully dry Silk in 1989. He was already a from the surface - which he barrister.

born on October 19, 1940, and spent his entire professional life at 5, King's Bench Walk, native Scotland. his Chambers. He came there his instructions and possessed after Trinity College, daughter and one son.

College, Cambridge. He was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1963 and became the pupil of Lord Havers. They remained firm friends thereafter.

He was appointed Recorder sense of humour - never far firm success as a leading

enjoyed in great measure.

In his private life Douglas

Douglas MacColl Blair was

Blair had a great love of sport. particularly golf and rugby football and a passion for his

He leaves a wife, Diana, one

Luncheons

HM Coverages Mr John Redwood, Parlia-Mr John Redwood, Parlia-mentary Under Secretary of State for Corporate Affairs, Department of Trade and Industry, was host yesterday at a luncheon given by Her Maj-esty's Government at Lancaster House in bonour of Mr Victor Stanculescu, Rumanian Min-ister of National Economy and Defance.

City and Guilds of London The engagement is announced between Mark Talbot, of Emsworth, Hampshire, and Geraldine Scher, of Swaffham, Mr D.J.B. Taylor-Smith and Miss J.A.H. Fletcher

present.
Diplomas of Fellowhsip of the
City and Guilds of London of Westerham, Kent, and Jacqueline, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs George Fletcher, of The engagement is announced between Martin, second son of Mr and Mrs Frederick Warren,

Clothworkers' Company and Sir David Woodbine Parish, Sir Stanley Grinstead and Sir Alex Smith, Vice-Presidents of the

Today's royal engagements

lastitute

The Duke of Edinburgh will visit Wymoudham College, Norfolk, at 12.20.

Memorial services

Land Continer, CH The Queen was represented by the Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorae at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Lord Gardiner, CH, held at the Temple Church on Wednesday Canon J. Robinson, Master of

Mr H.M. Neal, Chairman of Council, and Honorary Officers of the City and Guilds of London Institute were hosts at a London institute were noses at a luncheon given yesterday at Clothworkers' Hall, London, EC3, at which the Rt Hon The Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Sir Hugh Bidwell, and Mr Sheriff Derek Edwards were

City and Guilds of London
Institute were presented to Dr
C.J. Billington, Mr P.L. Campbell, Mr G.S. Cribb, Professor
P.J. Dowling, Mr D.K.
Duckworth, Professor J.S.
Gunasekera, Mr B. Hildrew, Mr
S. Lenssen, Professor K.J.
Miller, Professor R. Spence, Mr
M.E.O'K. Trowbridge, Professor G.A. Webster and Professor
S. Williamson.
The City and Guilds Gold
Medal for Craft Excellence was
presented to Dr G.E. White for
Denial Technology,
Among others present were
the Master and Clerk of the
Clothworkers' Company and Sir

Of all his achievements that which probably gave Lord Gardiner the greatest satisfac-tion was the abolition of the death penalty, said Mr Marsh. It was a change which he had long felt to be imperatively de-manded by the individual moral conscience. He was quite un-moved by the accusation that he was resorting to emotional argu-ments; these, he said, "are the words used by people to describe other people's moral views with which they do not agree".

Of legal reforms of an institu-tional kind for which Gerald Gardiner was responsible, the most significant was the setting in of the law Commissions. up of the Law Commissions. Mr Marsh concluded that Lord Gardiner's was a life of noble aspirations and splendid

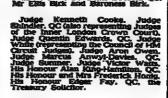
The Lord Chancellor, the Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Lords, Lord and Lady Wilson of Rievaula, the Lord Chief Justice and Lady Lane, the Attorney General and the Solicitor General attended.

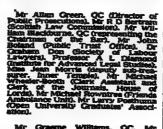
The Leader of HM Opposition was represented by Lord Cledwyn of Penrhos, CH, Lead-er of the Opposition in the House of Lords. Among others present were:

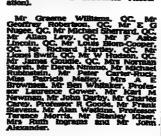


botald Harrison, layogologist and otologist, 65; Dr T.L. Johnston, former principal and vice-chancellor, Heriot-Wart University, 63; General Sir Frank King, 71; Sir Norman Lindop, principal, British School of Osteopathy, 69; Sir Ben Lockspeiser, aeronautical engineer, 99; Mr R.G. Marun, company chairman, 69; Sir Ronald Melville, civil servant, 78; Mr Peter Quennell, writer, 85; Professor K.E. Robinson, former vice-chancellor of Hong Kong University, 76; Lord Thurlow, 78; Professor K.E. Robinson, former vice-chancellor of Hong Kong University, 76; Lord Thurlow, 78; Professor Sir David Weatherall, haematologist, 57.









Lady Nutting

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Lady Nutting was held yesterday at Holy Trinity, Brompton, The Rev Sandy Millar officiated. Mr David

ester read the lesson and Professor Canon Roy Porter, Prebendary of Exceit, gave an address. The Bishop of Chichester pronounced the blessing. Canon John Hester, Precentor, Canon Roger Greenacre, Chan-cellor, and Canon Frank Hawkins, Treasurer, were robed and in the Quire.

Speaker and Mrs Weatherill gave a dinner in Speaker's House last night in bonour of Mrs Those Cs. Peterson, the gave a dinner in Speaker's
House last night in honour of
Mr Thage G. Peterson, the
Speaker of the Swedish Riksdag.
The Swedish Ambassador was
also present. Other guests were:
Mr Hardd Watter MD also present. Other guests were:
Mr Harold Watter. MP. and Mrs
Watter. Mm Hiller. MP. and Mrs
Watter. Mm Hiller. MP. and Mrs
Watter. Mm Hiller.
Lord Brabacon of Tara. Mr David
Evram. NP. and Mrs Evram. Se Aba
Gyn. MP. and Laty Rocula Chin. Mr
Houser McCrincis. MP. and Mrs
Houser Bourse. More Tarable Morris.
MP. and Mrs Temple Morris.
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Whitawan. Mrs Asa Klevard. Mr Rib
Peter Kitcait.
Shipwrights' Company
Admiral Sir Julian Oswald, First
Sea Lord, was installed as an
Honorary Freeman of the Ship-

Sea Lord, was installed as an Honorary Freeman of the Shipwrights' Company and Mr James Wood was presented with The Queen's Silver Medal for the Outstanding Shipwright Apprentice of 1989 by Mr F. Michael Everard, Prime Warden, at a meeting of the Court of Assistants held last night at Ironmongers' Hall.

At a dinner held afterwards

The Institute of Masters of Wine The Biennial Dinner was held last night at Vintners' Company. The Chairman of the Institute, Mr Called Sir John Heddley Greenborough, KBE, LLD, was the principal guest and speaker. Lecture

European League for Economic

Co-operation
Lord Rippon of Hexham, OC, Chairman of the British section of the European League for Economic Co-operation, presided at the first Brandon Rhys Williams Memorial Lecture delivered yesterday by Sir Ralf Debrendorf Warden of St Dahrendorf, Warden of St Antony's College, Oxford, at the Royal Society of Arts. Among those present were

isfe of Lady Nutting was held yesterday at Holy Trinity, Brompton. The Rev Sandy Millar officiated. Mr David Nutting, stepson, read the lesson and Mr Ralph Fitzjohn read from the works of Canon Henry Scott. Holland. Mr John Profumo gave an address.

Canon Lancelot Mason

A memorial service for Canon Lancelot Mason was beld yesterday in Chichester Cathedral. The Dean of Chichester officiated.

The Archdeacon of Chichester Canon Roy Porter.

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Mr. Ser Robert Mason Mr. Dean of Chichester read the lesson and Professor Canon Roy Porter.

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Mr. Robert Masurell, Misson Content Mr. Polity Proc. Mr. Polity Proc.

Marriage Mr G.M.S. Clowes and Lady Rose Nevill

Dinners

spoke. Among others present

WELL Bir Roderick MacLeod (chairmail-Licoyd's Register), the Mastern of the Curpenbur, Physinters', Pastengy' and Arbitrators' Companies, Dr. E. C. S. Coriett (Render Warden), Mr. R. A. H. Arnold Geoond Warden), Mr. D.J. Most Thirty Warden) and Sir Brian Braw (Fourth Warden)

Old Rugbeian Golfing Society Colonel A.A. Duncan presided at the Old Rugbeian Golfing Society dinner held last night at the Garrick Club. Mr Michael Attenborough, Captain of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St Andrews, was the guest of bonour.

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The Queen, as Parron of the
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Lord Grey of Naumton, President of the Parrol Over Seas dent of the Royal Over-Seas House, St James's, to mark the 80th anniversary of the league. Among others present were: Among others present were:
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Railway officials in America have an axiom that a man "ships" his merchandise by the route he travels, so that, if they can only secure his patronage as a traveller, which in itself may not be much, they will count on carrying his merchandise or agricultural products, which may amount to a great deal. Hence it is that the railway companies (nearly all of whom have some more or less serious rival or rivals to keep a close eye on) are untiring in their energy and enterprise in working up the passenger traffic as a means to the still more important end of securing an increase in freight.

Competing companies vie with one another as to which can offer to the travelling public the greatest comforts, conveniences, and attractions for their money, until the leading trains on which all these things are found in their highest development become little more than travelling advertisements, which are talked about, make the line better known, but are not run at any direct profit. Even in the Western States, where

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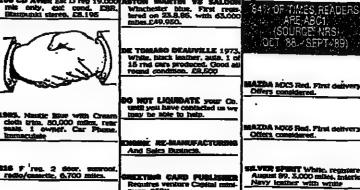
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Move Over Darling (episode five

tonight) is unclear, although I

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Lifting the title and the sound

track song from an old Doris Day movie (which, ironically, is not

remotely feminist, being a remake of My Favourite Wife), the series was apparently intended to ex-

plore the role of the modern

be a man's world. After 15 minutes

of Monday's opener, the danger

tricksy, dayglo-coloured captions, star presenter Pamela Stephenson

in ever more pointless pieces to camera, and someone billed as a

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Psychology rabbiting on for the required 40 seconds.

On Tuesday, Pamela persuaded

the actor Stephen Rashbrook to get into drag and include in a rerun of Tootsie, for which he tottered around on high heels wondering if anyone would notice he was not a she. Finishing up

behind the bar of a South London

pub, where transvestitism is not

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Rashbrook concluded that people talked to him more slowly when he

was disguised as a woman, failing to consider that perhaps it was

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out why he was wearing a dress. By Wednesday, opinion polls were being quoted, and Pam was doing some Esther Rantzen door-

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Showings of two all-but-forgotten artists represent a challenge to British art's customary parochialism, John Russell Taylor writes

The best of British lost

ish" inspires any confidence in the art market these days, it is partly because it provides an amorphous body of work with a label which reassuringly implies something comfortable, parochial, minor, and, of

course, relatively inexpensive. But the new regime at the Tate Gallery is doing its best to change that, not only by integrating British with international modern, but also by putting on exhibitions which allow British artists to challenge comparison with the

The latest invitation to reassess is on behalf of Thomas Lowinsky (until April 16). Or rather, to assess: virtually nobody today will have any idea either who Lowinsky was, or what his work could possibly look like. Indeed, in the 40-odd years since his death, he has slipped from even

the standard reference books.

Born in 1892, of a rich and cosmopolitan Jewish family, he entered early into the circle of Charles Ricketts (he was a handsome young man), and his beginnings in art were much influenced by Ricketts's enthusiasm for the hieratic, bejewelled art of Gustave Moreau and the wispy idealizations of Burne-Jones. Lowinsky's

Burne-Jones a pale tonality (for although Lowinsky generally paints in oils, he uses them like tempera) and an invertebrate, static quality in the human figures. But many of his figures are human only to a limited extent. He reveres classical myth, and is

particularly attracted to those involving Ovidian metamor-phoses: "Daphne", unusually scrupulous in the artist's workingout of what it means to be something halfway between a nymph and a tree, is an obvious Even when transformations are

not involved, Lowinsky loves

strange portmanteau creatures,

such as the winged heads or human-headed birds (in his "Annunciation", for instance) which frequently recur. His odd angle of vision, coupled with his meticulous draughtsmanship, of-ten brings him close to the Surrealists. The flying debris of "The Fall of the Tower of Babel" or the strange, dark "Mask of Flora", splitting apart to reveal the plants growing through, definitely seem to belong to international surrealism. A more immediate comparison, particularly for his biblical scenes, is with Carra and the Italian Magic Realists, though

their work when he known painted the draped, mysterious figures of "The Visitation" (1925) or the curiously decorous "Temptation of St Anthony" is a moot

In portraiture, to which he turned with increasing frequency, the same stylistic elements suggest we look rather towards Germany, and the cold-eyed exponents of the Neue Sachlichkeit: the sharp and slightly disagreeable portraits of women such as Serinda Negrearnn and Cecily Hamilton immediately bring to mind painters such as Schad and Schlichter. And his line-drawings (he was a prolific book-illustrator) are deliciously funny, slightly perverse, and not immediately comparable with

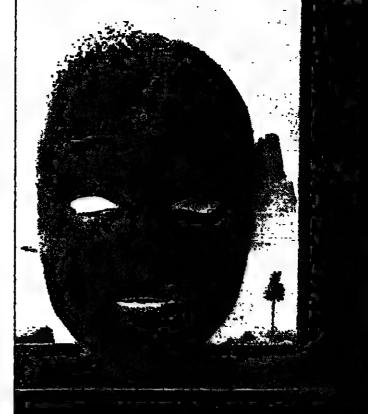
ertainly, it is a pleasure to make Lowinsky's acquaintance. It is even more extraordinary to encounter again the prints of John Copley (Agnew, until March 16). Copley has been, I suspect, the victim of a certain kind of art snobbery which assumes that etchers and lithographers are somehow on a lower rung than painters. He was, of course, a pretty good painter when

graphic processes that his most brilliantly original work is found. Copley, like Lowinsky, is a

challenge to British parochialism. His wife, the artist Ethel Gabain, was French, and he travelled a lot in France and Italy. This may in some measure explain why his work looks so un-English, but does not explain, much less explain away, his amazing originality.

It is highly unlikely that he would have known the artist who most frequently comes to mind in his early lithographs, Egon Schiele. He shares with Schiele a curious way of placing his human frame: his "Tennis Players" seem to reel and writhe with a Lewis Carroll sort of freedom; his frantic players of "Lacrosse" or the buffeted and contorted "Figures in the Wind" (a late etching of 1940) are unaccountably elongated and moved around to make complex

and mysterious patterns. Occasionally his earliest prints, such as "A Lavatory" of 1909, with its males carefully arranging their appearance beyond the prying eyes of women, suggest the observation of some American realist like Bellows. The crisp, unfriendly pictures of the Twenties suggest Grosz or Dix. The



A reverence for classical myth: Thomas Lowinsky's "Mask of Flora"

elegantly unpredictable etchings of the Forties have possible connections with Anthony Gross or even Philippe Jullien. But finally, he is quite simply an

original, almost defiant about whether you like him or not. He has a kind of grit, an ability to irritate: he is a too-long-disien roll

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In the early days Seymour and Capa were the driving forces: Capa the ideas man, Seymour the organizer and curber of Capa's naginative excesses. Both were killed early in Magnum's history. Capa stepped on a landmine while covering the war in Indo-China in

1954, and Seymour was cut down at Suez two years afterwards by Egyptian machine-gan fire.

The agency struggled for survival after that. But survive it did, and still does (it now has 40 members). Over the years it has amassed an incredible archive, some of which is now displayed in the Hayward Gallery's exhibition, In Our Time: The World in Seen by Magnam Photographers (until

Became of the symbiotic relationship between news events and photography, it is an inevitable chronicle of the tragedies of the past four decades. Murder, wars, pestilence and famine are the subjects here. One can almost sense each photographer coming to terms with the ownal dilemma of framing atrocities in a view-finder in order to produce an aestheti-cally pleasing picture. Rodger faced it in 1945, when he entered the Belsen concentration camp. So skaken was he that he never

photographed another war. However, it is a dilemma which for the most part is solved intuitively. Cartier-Bresson's phrase,

it best the relationship of eye, mind and subject which unites content and form in a way that lends the photograph an enriched and coherent meaning. The few photographs by him in this rather disparate show engage the viewer with drammit authority.

In the gloom of the Hayward Gallery we are not spared the suffering. Blood flows in Ireland and Israel, children starve in Uganda, Mother Teresa treats the dying in Calcutts, and, occa-sionally, colour prints (such as Susan Meiselan's documentary Nicaragua), shatter the black and

But there is, too, a lighter side to Magnum's chronicle. Inge Merath's splendid portrait of Mrs Evelyn Nash in London in 1953, Eve Arnold's delectable 1960s studies of Marilyn Mouroe in Holywood, David Hurn's quietly scinctive studies of the British at play, display a breathtaking dignity, a concern common to all Magnum photographs.

Michael Young

Fragments of Britten

The Aldeburgh phenomenon has always been a peculiarly English mixture of the grand and the homely: the stereotype event would have top professional mu-sicians working with children in a village hall to an audience pressed with countesses. It is an atmosphere that easily survives translation for the occasional gala evening to Covent Garden or, as here, to the Barbican, where the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh came for a rather 19th-century, pot-pourri concert, involving Aldeburgh's own Britten-Pears

Orchestra of young musicians. Conducted by Famas Vasary, they got through Schubert's Fifth Symphony without much excitement, but after that the accent was on the soloists: Rostropovich in Tchaikovsky's Rococo Variations, Anthony Rolfe Johnson and Richard Watkins in the Britten Serenade, Ileana Cotrubas and Vasary in Ch'io mi scordi di te, and Michael Collins in the première of an opening movement salvaged from sketches for the clarinet concerto Britten was writing for Benny Goodman in 1942-3.

It is not clear why Britten abandoned this work: possibly because, once he had left the

CONCERT Paul Griffiths

Aldeburgh Gala Barbican Hall

United States, Peter Pears and Dennis Brain (for whom he went on to write the Serenade), were a lot closer than Goodman. Nor is it clear whether the movement we heard was planned as such by Britten or has been spliced to-gether by Colin Matthews, who did the editing and expertly

Brittenesque orchestration. At under five minutes it seems a bit short for a concerto first movement, and perhaps a bit relaxed: there is a lot of cheerful scalic exercising and not much dialogue, though Matthews has nice things happening in the orchestra, like the prominent harp part or a beautifully blended sequence of wind harmony. Col-

lins gave the piece a happy, effortless baptism. The other new piece, of a sort, was also an arrangement by a second-generation Aldeburgh composer: Oliver Knussen's charming and lilting version of the National Anthem, led by flutes over harp, pizzicato strings and cymbal sizzles, taking the tune as near a barcarolle as it is likely to get. Here was Aldeburghian grandeur and homeliness in one.

Talent, but little buzz

It is hard to say just what it was about Rambert's opening at Sadler's Wells last night that proved slightly dispiriting, but I was not the only person to come away with a feeling that the company which this year won the first Prudential award for the arts

really ought to have been able to create more of a buzz. There was, after all, the London première of Merce Cunningham's Doubles on this programme; there was Ashley Page's best ballet, Soldat; and there were works by their director, Richard Alston, and the American choreographer Trisha Brown, who has a cult following here. Yet a less than full house generated only limited

One problem may be the music. Brown's Opal Loop uses none, and the first two scores are both essentially imitative. Takehisa Kosugi's tape for Cunningham, although jolly enough in short doses, seems somewhat stretched over 25 minutes with its artificial chirping sounds; and Claude Vivier's use of violin, clarinet, percussion and piano to provide gamelan effects in Pulau Dewata is ingenious rather than satisfying.

But the more fundamental

DANCE John Percival

Rambert Company Sadler's Wells

cumulative effect of the choreography. Cunningham's Doubles is and groupings (made more strik-ing by Peter Mumford's shadowy lighting) without much kinetic

development.

tion that it is over so soon. All this puts much respon-sibility on Soldat, which Stravinsky's music (the suite from The Soldier's Tale), Bruce McLean's colourful adventure-playground of a setting and Page's inventive, lively and highly theatrical choreography nearly bring off. My slight reservation is in respect of the actual dancing: excellent in parts, but less uniformly so than last year.

weakness lies probably in the one of his more austere pieces. Its sparse movement would probably provide contrast with more eventful works on one of his own programmes. Here it starts the evening in a low key, to be followed by *Pulau Dewata*, where Alston offers dramatic entrances

There is a lot more movement, used in a strikingly individual (not to say chaotic) way, in Opal Loop, but this, like the Alston, is a short piece, so there may be dissatisfac-



Silent, snarling collaboration: Mark Kilmury and Debbie Isitt as Valentino and wife, at the Half Moon

The stars of the screen are the only true immortals. At some point in their lives they stop making new films and an obituary appears in the press, but they themselves carry on exactly as before, unchanged, unchanging; and so it will be until some bug gets into the film stock and gobbles up the

magic molecules. Our intimate knowledge of how the great stars looked, moved, kissed each other, batted their eyelids, screwed half a grapefruit into a girl's face and, after 1927, spoke, sang and grunted, makes it a pretty hard task to represent them on stage. A year or two back, the writers of a would-be thriller about Fatty Arbuckle ducked out of the difficulty by following the Goldwyn line and including him out. A gaping fat hole it left in the

Radically different is the approach to the Great Lover by the present company, the memorably named Snarling Beasties. Valentino is on stage throughout, in the lithe and handsome person of Mark Kilmurry, and all but a fraction of the action is presented as if it were itself a film. For a start, everything is in black and white: the tiled floor, the directors' chairs, shirtless Valentino in his shabby suit, Andrew McIlwee dressed likewise as the producer Jesse Lasky and sundry other males, Debbie Isitt in black skirt and fringe as Valentino's lesbian wife, and an adoring cow-eyed fan. The show begins in the style of a

Keystone comedy, with the boy Valentino and his dad jousting like a pair of Mack Sennett

clowns. A wonderful evocation of

a "lost in the storm" tearjerker

comes next, as Kilmurry shivers

in the New York streets, ex-pressions of despair alternating

THEATHE Jeremy Kingston Valentino

with eager and submissive smiles. He never speaks. Once arrived in Hollywood he is pulled between the frightful Lasky and the equally fearsome Natacha Rambova who bark finance and feminism over his obliging frame. His death is unclearly shown, however, and

Half Moon

the show's second half could do with more reminders of his actual films. Kilmurry cleverly and finnily shows him goggle-eyed reading the script of *The Sheik*, but the objections of Rambova (what a name!) go on, rather.

Exuberantly acted, crisply stylized, wittily physical - watch lsitt snuggling against her hero's shoulder or Kilmurry acrobatically shedding his clothes as though fans were tearing them from his back — the show leaves you feeling that, under his burnous, the Immortal Lover was as confused and daft as most of us.

JAZZ Clive Davis Ella Fitzgerald Albert Hall If this week's concerts are truly Ella Fitzgerald's farewell to London, she is at the very least

lient, marshalling her resources like a true veteran, yet never giving the impression of coasting.

The voice, inevitably, is no longer what it was. Whereas her pitch was once supernaturally precise, she now often strays off beam. The velvet sheen from the classic Song Book album is sometimes replaced by a hoarse, rasp-

making her exit with all her

dignity intact. Her first night at

the Albert Hall found her ebul-

Set against that, there is the inimitable phrasing, more than capable of carrying her through 'Sweet Georgia Brown", or "Ain't Mishehavin". The coy, little-girllost inflections still lark below the surface, emerging on the bursts of scat vocals or a phrase lifted from "A-Tisket A-Tasket".

Inimitable, invincible By the time of her sprightly "Can't Buy Me Love", she had temporarily deserted her stool to lean against Mike Woffard's piano. She was back in time for "God Bless The Child", perhaps the most dramatic setpiece of the evening. Barely whispering the lyrics, she seemed unafraid of taking on the ghost of Billie Holiday. Once, perhaps, we might not have been convinced by such a choice - Ella always seemed too invincible to sing the blues. Now, a venerable figure centre stage, she draws the last drop from each line.

The Count Basie Orchestra gave self-effacing support to Woffard's trio. The big band was in more exaberant record before the interval. Now under the direction of the saxophonist Frank Foster, the line-up has passed through hard times since the Count's death six years ago, producing some uneven studio recordings. Delving back to the Fifties, the players came up with gutsy revivals of two classics of the Atomic Mr Basie album, "Whirly Bird" and "Splanky". Carl "Ace" Carter gave the latter's ritual piano payoff after the guest soloist, Peter King, had picked his way through the choruses.

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Traditional English folk music romanticized society, writes David Toop, who thinks that "roots music" comes closer to the truth

New routes back to traditional roots

ences can be tough to endure at the time. Years later, one of life's sweetest pleasures lies in savouring the memories and trying to choose one's worst concert ever. I would have to include a performance of Tito Forward, composed by an unknown-Yugoslavian and given in the main square of Zagreb.

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This is as nothing compared to an evening spent in a Nortingham folk club in 1985. Traditional English folk music has a two-fisted capacity for creating awful entertainment. On the one hand, the music is so unvaried. It possesses few of the vivacious instrumental and vocal techniques that enliven aconstic musics throughout the rest of the world. On the other hand, the folk audience, at its worst, can be notoriously hostile and defensive. To the outsider. viewing the massed ranks of pewter tankards, Aran sweaters, pipes and pints, their idealization of a pre-World War One England

A new breed of musician, based in British folk traditions, but also versed in reggae, post-punk rock and world musics, also rejects this nostalgia for Albion. Tomorrow, BBC 2 will be showing a Rhythms

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Can You Dance the Polka? One member of The Oyster Band. featured in the film, dismisses the bogus ruralism that prevailed in the Seventies, describing it as a "picture of a green and pleasant England that never really existed".

"We're not trying to imitate traditional songs," their fiddle player claims. "That's the worst. thing to do. You end up as a kind of electric annex of the heritage industry ... "With their vision of England before it was spoiled, some of the folk traditionalists of the Sixties currently find their views echoed by Norman Tebbit, as well as the more grasping nostalgia opportunists. This is surely a bitter pill for them to

Now that Britain's villagers

have been squeezed out of their natural habitat by high-earning urban professionals, even the most staunchly Luddite enthusiast must find it difficult to use the term "folk music". The term in Britain applies to songs that were almost dead at the beginning of this century, collected and doctored by men like Cecil Sharp, who romanticized the English peasantry. "Roots music" has become the more common usage, then, though even this has its

the roots of today's popular music lie in recorded music of all types. By this definition, Kylie Minogue's recent rendition of a song from 1958, "Tears on My Pillow", must also be roots music.

Paul James is one half of a multi-instrumental duo called Ancient Beatbox, another of the bands that form the very diverse new folk or roots music scene. James takes a similar view. "What we do is more by instinct than intellect," he claims. "You are influenced by everything you hear." The group was formed when James and hurdy-gurdy player Nigel Eaton were commissioned to write music for a production of Christopher Marlowe's Doctor Faustus. Now, the sound has evolved

ing to Manchester's all-electronic 808 State, but there are clear signs of past interest in the late David Munrow's Early Music Consort of London, as well as folk music from Eastern Europe, Brazil, India and Britain. "The only thing that's had an impact on the folk scene in recent

years is Womad [World of Music,

Arts and Dance festival]," James

says. There is no doubt that the

At the moment they enjoy listen-



New vision: The Oyster Band is based in traditional folk music, but does not believe in imitating old songs

audience for this broader defi-nition of folk music revels in the juxtapositions of West African Kora music, Indian dance drama and all the anarchic electroacoustic groups that have followed in the wake of The Pogues. Their

vision of British society reflects its rich confusions more accurately than the nostalgia of the old guard, and despite what the purists feel, will surely do more to preserve the

Rhythms of the World is on BBC 2 at 6.30pm tomorrow. The Oyster Bank, Ancient Beatbox and several other "roots music" bands will also be appearing on Sunday at the Hootenanny at the Palais. See Weekend Gigs, right.

Act of faith: Sinead O'Connor is clear and bracing as a winter morning

ALBUNS **David Sinclair**

Sinead O'Conner: I Do Not Want What I Heven't Got (Ensign CHEN 14) With her phenomenally successful

version of Prince's "Nothing Compares 2 U", the scrawny, shaven-headed Irish waif with a voice as clear and bracing as a bright winter's morning turned traditional pop/rock values on their head. That song, which opens her album's second side, delineates a life in emotional tatters. Its static, full-facial video, apart from making her look like a frightened gazelle, steers the lis-tener into the confessional rather than on to the dance floor.

It is a good indication of the collection as a whole, since most of the album's songs progress at roughly the same funereal pace and strike a similarly bleak emotional tenor. "Feel So Different" is a carefully orchestrated pastorale that conveys a mood of introspection born of betraval. "Three Babies" has distinct religious overtones and a quietly reverential feel, while the title track, which she sings in an uncomfortably exposed a cappella, is a pure statement of faith, O'Connor's customized version of Psalm 23, with a desert substituting for the valley of the shadow of death.

In the main she gets away with

Irish lark with a soulful song

these intense bouts of post-adolescent profundity by dint of her mesmeric presence. "I Am Stretched Across Your Grave" adants a traditional Gaelic poem to a shuffling neo-hiphop drum beat, a riveting combination once it has claimed your attention.

Less impressive is "Black Boys on Mopeds", a gratnitous piece of England-bashing that intemperately likens Margret (slc) Thatcher to the mandarins in Bejing (sic).

The Notting Hillbilles: Missing . . . Presumed Having a Good Time (Vertigo 842671-1) Missing, presumed asleep, would be nearer the mark, given the ultra-laidback feel of Mark Knopfler's jokily-titled, extra-curricular project, which makes Dire Strains come off like Mount Vesuvius by comparison.

Of course, the idea of corralling his old guitar-picking cronies from Leeds — Brendan Croker and Steve Phillips - together with Straits' keyboardist Guy Fletcher, was not to rock out like Status Quo. Rather it was to record some of the most obscure traditional country and western and

gospel/blues material it was possible to find, along with a handful of original compositions in a similarly antiquated vein.

They Might Be Giants: Flood (Elektra 960 907-1) They Might Be Giants, the Brook-

lyn duo of John Flansburgh and John Linnell, have garnered generous bouquets for their eccentric live shows and for the single "Birdhouse In Your Soul" which has turned hard-bitten Radio 1 DJs into putty in their hands.

Their music is a hyperactive combination of harmony pop, vaudeville, lightweight rock'n'roll and novelty in the grand tradition of such wacky American individualists as Sparks, Stan Ridgway, Klark Kent (aka Stewart Copeland) and Jonathan Richman.

While the sentiments of "Your Recist Priend" are straightforward enough, some of the more abstruse elements of humour — "If I were a carpenter I'd hammer on my piglet" from "We Want a Rock", for instance - leave you wondering if you have been excluded from some in-loke.

Tommy Bolin: The Ultimate . . . (Geffen 924 248-1)

Tommy Bolin was one of rock's nearly men, a gifted guitarist who had the knack of turning up just as the action moved elsewhere. He took over from Joe Walsh in the James Gang, then from Ritchie Blackmore in Deep Purple, but died of "multiple drug intoxica-tion" at the age of 25, before he had been properly able to establish a solo career.

The Ultimate . . . is a lovingly collated triple-album retrospective that includes work from every stage of his career, including his very earliest days with Zephyr, a bunch of Big Brother and the Holding Company soundalikes, through to an unreleased "beddemo of "Brother, Brother" featuring just voice and acoustic guitar.

Much of it now sounds irredeemably locked in to a Seventies heavy-metal timewarp, but there is one track, an explosive instrumental titled "Quadrant 4" which he recorded with virtuoso jazz-rock drummer Billy Cobham, that still stands as a crowning example of the electric guitarist's art. Dashing off the melody-line with a dishevelled glee then squealing and spluttering into an improvised section of untrammelled splendour, Bolin had for once in his tragically brief life hit the mark exactly on time and with all cylinders firing.

WEEKEND GIGS

Compiled by David Sinclair, David Toop and Rose Rouse

THE CHILLS: Four-piece melodic pop group from New Zealand who signed to the American label Slash Records last year. Their second album Submarine Bells, released on Monday, March 12, is a sensuous, graceful and educated collection with titles like "Sweet Times" and "Efforesce and Times" and "Effloresce and University of London Union, Malet Street, WC1 (01-323 5481) Tonight,

Norwich Arts Centre, St Benedicts Street (0603 660352) Monday, 7.30pm, £3-£4.

THE HIT PARADE: Julian Henry, the former press officer of Magnet Records, and lovable one-man pop. machine, has turned out a string of estimable recordings during the last four years, notably "See You in Havana" and "Wipe Away the Tears", under his mysterious nom de guerre The Hit Parade. This week he will start a "month of Sundays" residency at the Mean Fiddler, his first live shows ever. Acoustic Room, Mean Fiddler, 24-28 Harlesden High Street, London NW5 (01-961 5490) Sunday, 8pm,

MARTIN STEPHENSON AND THE DAINTEES: Geordie singer-songwriter with an impeccably sensitive pop touch. His Dainte deserve at least the kind of ss which Prefab Sprout has

enjoyed. Phymouth Polytechnic (0752 663337) Tonight, 7.30pm, £5. Exeter University, Stocker Road (0392 263528) Saturday, 7.30pm,

Tregonwell Hall, BIC, Exeter Road, Bournemouth (0202 297297) Sunday, 7.30pm, 25. Theatr Cwmlawe, Swange (0792 830111) Monday, 7.30pm, £5.

HOOTENANINY AT THE PALAIS: See the feature, left. This is an unparalleled opportunity to see what the "roots music" scene is all about: exotic fusions, electric polkas, reggae and accordions. Leave the Morris dancing outlit at home.

Hammersmith Palais, Shepherds Bush Road, London W6 (01-284 0303) Sunday 3pm £7.50 (In

LA SONORA DINAMITA: Forget the Lambada. The big craze of the moment is Colombian Cumbia band, La Sonora Dinamita, "dynamite sound", who have been developing their own brand of Latin rhythm for 30 years and who are now visiting London for the first

tims.
Empire Bullinouri, Lalcaster
Square, London W1 (01-437 1446).
Sunday 7.30pm, £7.50.

THE TROJANS: Gaz Mayall leads this energetic Ska band. Though the much-touted Ska ravival never really happened, the Trojans remain loyal to the cause.

Dublin Castle, 94 Park Way, NW1. (01-485-1773). Tomorrow, 8pm, £5.

THE ROCKES: Three New York sisters who sing elegant harmonies. Their album *Speak* is just out. Their songs span everything from men to mortgages which they douse in sharp humour. Dominion, Tottenhem Court Road, W1 (01-580-9562), Today, 7pm,

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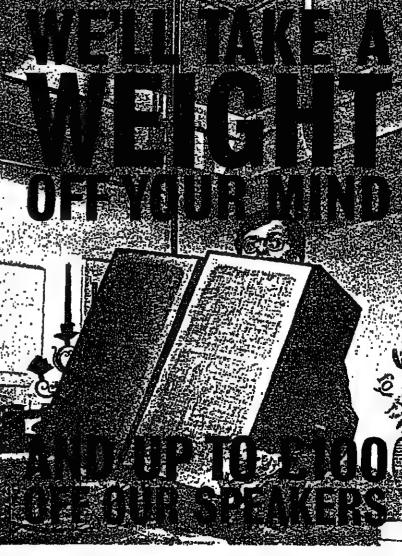
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ORCHESTRAL MUSIC Max Harrison

CONFESSIONAL MOZART: Beside conducting the BBC SO in Mahler's lengthy Symphony No 7, Andrew Davis adds the BBC Singers and soloists for the beautiful Vesperae Solemnes de Confessore K 339 by Mozart. Feetives Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8800). Tonight, 7.30pm, £3-£14.

QUIRICY TUNES: Prokafley's Sinfonland opens this concert by the BBC Philharmonic under Paul Daniel, in Saint-Seens's Piano Concerto No 2 the solois s José Feghali, and finally comes Tchalkovsky's Symphony No 3. St George's Hall, Bridge Street, Bradford (0274 752000). Tonight, **BOCRATES PLUS MONKEY: London**

New Music juxtaposes Satie's Socrate, a "drame symphonique", the world pre-miere of Peter Garland's Monkey, Harrison Birtwistle's La Plage, the clarinet version of Gavin Bryers's Allegrasco and the UK première of Barbara Monk (01-928 8800). Tonight, 8pm, 24.50.

SIR CHARLES'S 75TH Sir Charles Groves's 75th birthday concert. The RPO and Brighton Festival Chorus are conducted by Sir Charles In Walton's Belshazzar's Feastwith Benjamin Luxon as baritone soloist. Earlier there is Vaughan Williams's Tallis Fantasia and Beethoven's Pieno Concerto No 3. Barbican Cuntre, Silk Street, London EC2 (01-638 8891). Tomorrow, 7.45-9.45pm, 25-£16.

SPANISH EVENING: YOU PAGES TOPteller conducts The Philharmonie in Ravel's Rhapsody Espagnole, Rodrigo's Fierens, guitar) and the Arbos orchestra-tion of Albunia's /bunia. eld Hall, Park Lane, Croydon (01-

888 9291, oc 01-680 5955). Tomorrow, 80m. £4-£10. BRAHMS TRANSLATED: Schoenberg's orchestration of Brahms's Op 25 Piano Quartet ende Gennedi Rozhdest-vensky's programme with the LPO.

Earlier comes Schubert's Alfonso and

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the solotat in Prokofiav's Phino Concerto Festival Half, (see above). Sun, 7.30pm,

ALL ELGAR: Gluseppe Sinopoli conducts The Philhermonia in the introduction and Allegro, Symphony No 1 and, with Mische Malsky so soloist, the Callo

Festival Half (see above). Mon, 7.30pm, NACHMANINOV ORCHESTRATED: The LPO under Rozhdestvensky provide a rare opportunity of hearing Respight's orchestration of five of Rachmaninov's Etudes-Tableaux. Plus Rimsky-Korsakov's Capriccio Espagnot; and Shlomo Mintz solos in Prokofiav's Violin Con-

Festival Hall (see above). Tues, 7.30pm, FROM CRACOW: The distinguished Polish composer Krzysztof Penderecki conducts the Coucow Philhermonic in his

own Passacaglia and Viola Concerto with Grigory Zhyslin as soloist. Then Ovořák s charming Symphony No 8. Royal Concert Hall, Theatre Square, Nottingham (0602 482626). Tues, 7.30pm, £5.50-£9.50. STRAUSSIAN GATHERING: The sole

item approaching heavyweight status from the RCM Sinfonia under Christopher Adey is Richard Strauss's Suite. From this they pess on to Josef Strauss's Die Libelle, Johann Strauss II's Blue Danube and Emperor Waltzes. Royal College of Music, Prince Consort

Road, London SW7 (01-589 3643). Tues,

FARRER/RPO: John Farrer conducts Mozant's Don Giovenni Overture fol-lowed by Samuel Barber's facile Adagio for Strings, Mendelssohn's Violin Con-certo (Ruth Waterman, soloist) and Pachelbel's inconsequential Canon, Last comes Mozart's Symphony No 40. Barbican Centre (see above). Tues, 7,45-9,45pm, £5-£16.

MARINACLLI CONCERT: Norman de Mar conducts the RPO in the Royal Philharmonic Society's John Barbirolli Concart. Vaughan William's Flourish for Glorious John, Delius's Dance Rhap-Sinfonia Domestica, Additionally baritone Dmitri Hvorostovsky, last year's Cardiff Singer of the World, sings arias from Eugene Onegin, Queen of Spades Feetival Half (see above), Wed, 7.20pm,

150 AT LIVERPOOL: In one of the programmes marking the Royal Liver-pool Philharmonic's 150th anniversary, Sir Charles Groves (RLPO conducto 1963-77) takes them through Wagner's Mastersingers Overture, Tippett's Symphony No 2 and, with Alfred Brendel the piano, Brahm's Concerto Op 83. pool (051 709 3789). Wed, 7.30pm, £3.40-≥10.50.

SHOSTAKOVICH/MOSTROPOVICH: av Rostropovich conducts. The LSO Mozart's Concerto for Flum and Harp makes a noticeably strong contrast with Shostakovich's Symphonies Nos 2 and 5. The solciute are Paul Edmund Davies (flute) and Ossian Elis (harp). Berbicen Centre (see above). Thurs, 7.45-9.45pm, £4.50-£20.

CHICAESTER BETUGSTEILE David HIR conducts the RCM Chorus and Symphony Orchestra in two sharply contrasting choral works, Leonard Bernstein's immediately effective Chichester Psalms and Stravinsky's Symphony of Psalms. Royal College of Music, Prince Consort Road, London SW7 (01-589 3543). Thurs, 7pm, free.

NORLE SENTIMENTAL. The Phillips monia is conducted by Giuseppe Sinopoli in Ravel's graceful and refined Valses Nobles et Sentimentales, Schomberg's Urick-Inclured Pelicus and Melisands; and Kyung Wha Chung solos in Sibulius's Violin Concerto. Festival Half (see above). Thurs, 7.30pm, 23-218.

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7 (10) Sibelius: Symphony No 5	
8 (7) Vivaldi: Four Seasone	
9 (13) Mahler: Resurrection	Glibert/Kaplan/LSO, Pickwic
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12 (8) Albinoni: Adagio	
13 (11) Elgar: Cello Concerto	
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16 (17) Beethoven; Symphony No 5	
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CATHEDRAL PHOENIX: Mixing voices

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fers a programme from 16th-century

madrigals like Orlando Gibbons's The Silver Swan to contemporary items such

as Daryl Runswick's Dance of Stillness,

Liverpool (051-709 3789). Tonight,

SWEDISH BACH: Swedish cellst Lars

Blomberg interprets two austere suites by Bach and some unknown Swedish

II, ingvar Lidholm's Fantasia sopra Laudi, and Lapponicum by Joahannes

Degan, who died last year. Leighton House, 12 Holland Park Road, London W14 (01-794 6351). Tonight,

MARJANA LIPOVSEK: Merzo scorano

Marjana Lipovsek sings Schumann's Liederkreis, five Brahms Lieder and

Mussorgsky's The Nursery. Geoffrey Parsons is at the plano.

Wigmore Hell (see above). Tomorrow,

WOLPS 130THE TO mark the 1308

anniversary of Hugo Wolf's birth, Anna Steiger and François LeRoux sing his complete Italianisches Liederbuch.

Wigmore Heli (see above). Tues, 7.30pm, £6, £7.50.

TRIO'S 2187: Making a rare UK appear-

ance in their 21st season, the excellent

Risvel Trio performs Dvolek's Plano Trio

Op 90, an obscure Trio Op 5 by Boialdieu

and, not surprisingly, flavel's Trio. Philharmonic Hell, Liverpool (see above). Tues, 7.30pm, 25-28.40.

DUNGEON OF DESPAIR: A leading

tenor, Anthony Rolfe, Johnson sings

Purcell's in the Black Dungson of

Despeir, following this with Buttarwords's sometimes gloomy Shrop-

shire Lad settings, Britten's Winter

Words, and, suggesting a less dis-couraged frame of mind, Vaughan Wällem's Songs of Travel.

University, Southempton (0703 671771).

CHANCE AYRES: Michael Chance.

countertenor, sings 17th-century English

ayres by Lawes, Humfrey, Blow, Purcell and Dowland. Robert Spencer accompa-

Wignere Hell (see above). Wed, 7.30pm, E5-E8.

KALMAN BERKES: An outstanding

Hungarian clarinettist, Kalman Berkes,

Interprets sonates by Poulenc and

Brahms, Weber's Grand Duo

Purcell Room (see above). Wed, 8pm,

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nies on the lute.

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itions, viz Peter Lyne's *Fanta*s

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£2.50-£12.50. Stephen Pettin

¬he London Sinfonietta is

principal flag-bearer for

contemporary music in this

... CHORAL MUSIC

CHORAL BACH: Opening the season of Choral Masterpieces to run until the end of April. Bach's Magnificat in D, heard from the ECO, Tallie Chamber Choir and soloists under George Malcolm. Before this Thomas Allen, baritone, sings arias from Handel's Berenice, Apollo et Dafne and Giulio Casara, and a start is made with Johann Sebastian's Brandenburg Barbican Centre (see above). Tonight,

7.45-9.20pm, £4-£15. ST JOHN AT ST JOHN'S: Bach's St John Passion sung in German, by the London Orpheus Choir, Orchestra and soloists conducted by James Gaddam. Wynford Evans is the Evangelist, lan Caddy is Christus. St John's, Smith Square (see above).

Tomorrow, 7.30pm, £5-£10. ST JOHN'S ST JOHN: In a further performance of Bach's St John Passion (In German), Timothy Brown conducts Cambridge University Consort of Voices, the King's Consort and soloists. Rogers Covey-Crump is the Evangelist, Stephen Varcoe is Christus. To help the St John's

organ fund. St John's, Smith Square (see above). Mon, 7.30pm, 25-£15.

RUGGERO HAJMONDE Arles from Italian and Russian operas, including Verd's Don Carlos, Vespri Siciliani, Attia, Mussorgsky's Khovanachina, Rimsky-Korsakov's Sadko, Borodin's Prince igor, Tohalkovsky's Eugene Onsgin. With the Moscow Conservatoire Or-chestre under Leonid Nikolalev. Berbican Centre (690 above). Mon, 7.45-9.45pm, £4-£15.

YORK ANNIVERSARY: To mark the 800th anniversary of the massacre of Jews in 1190. Jane Manning and Jane's minetrels premiere Malcolm Singer's cantata York, plus works by Malooim St Michael-Le Beifrey, York (Tickets: 0904 644164). Thurs, Spm, 27.50.

RECITALS

ALL SEETHOVEN: Bernard Roberts with plano sonatas Op 27 No 2 "Moonlight" and 57 "Appassionata", Op 7 and 78. Machinesti Concert Hall, 23 Lee Road, London SE3 (01-463 0100). Tonight, 7.30pm. £5, £8.

FROM BRAZIL: The Brazillan guitariet Dagoberto Linharse, winner of many prizes, presents pieces by Sanz and Ginastera, Sor and Piazzola, Savio and Ville-Lobos. Wigmore Half (see above). Tonight, 7.30pm, 24-27.

DAYTIME CONCERTS

PICCADILLY SUNRISE: A spin-off from the annual International St Week held at Wycliffe College, Gloucestershire. Today it is the turn of the Luff Quartet, founded in 1988, who play Haydn's "Sunrise" Quartet Op 76 No 4 and Mozart's Quartet K 428. es's, 197 Piccadilly, London W1

(01-734 4511). Today, 1.10-2pm, free. FINAL ROMANTIC: The South Bank's splendid Szymanowski festival finds Konstanty Kulka undertaking Mythes, a macical set of pieces for violin and piano, Purcell Room (see above). Sun, 3.15pm,

KLIEN SONATAS: Four strikingly contrasted sonatas are fielded by the Austrian planist Walter Klien, Mozart's big C minor work, K 457, Schubert's late A major, D 959, Janaček's commemo-rative Sonata 1.X.1905 and Berg's Op 1; this last offering a kind of post-Tristan

Wigmore Hall (see above). Sun, 4pm,

LUNCHTIME CYPRESSES: The Chilingirian Quartet plays some of Dvořák's Cypresses then co-opts Andrew Marriner for Brahms's Clariner Quintell. St John's Smith Square (see above). Mon. 1-2pm, £3.50.

CLARKE UNPUBLISHED: Paul Cointi and Peter Evens unveil three unpublished pieces for viole and plano by the neglected composer Rebecca Clarke, plus Mendelssohn's C minor Sonata and Schumenn's Marchenbilder. Coletti plays Hindemith's Viola Sonata of

Fairfield Hall (see above). Tues, 1.05-2om, 21.60.

CONCERTINA BIRDS: Regonda's Les Olsesux is played by Douglas Rogers on the concertant, not an instrument often heard at concerts. He adds Keith Amos's edaptation of Mozarts Violin Sonata K 454. Joanne Last is at the plane. Tues, 1.05-2pm, free.

ALVARO CENDOYA: This prize-winning planist plays-Mozart's Sonata K 311, some Chopin and Scriebin studies, the Paganini Veriations of Brahms and Liszt's Chasse-Neige Etude.

Yemana Plano Studios, 24 Princes Street, London W1 (01-408 0210). Wed

Compiled by Karl Lloyd e hams for inclusion should be sent at least 10 days before publication to Tony Patrick, Pre-view, The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9201 Concertante, some pieces by fellow Hungarian Leo Weiner, and Bartók's

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's selection of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country.

 BLACK RAIN (18): Michael Douglas pursuing a Japanaos gangster. Flashy potboller from lirector Ridley Scott. Person (01-497 9999).

BLAZE (15): Paul Newman as polincian Earl Long, detlantly in love with a stripper. Colourful Cannon Oxford Street (01-636

0310) Warner (01-439 0791). GROOK ON THE POURTH OF JULY (18): Dynamic anti-Vietnam spic from Oliver Stone, with Torn Cruise proelient as paraplegic Ron Kovic. Camden Parkway (01-267 7034) Cunnone: Baker Street (01-835 9772) Fulhern Road (01-370 2636) Empire (01-497 9999) Gate (01-727 4043) Screen on the Green (01-226 3520) Whiteleys (01-792

. CASUALTRES OF WAR (18): Sean Penn continue Vistramiese atrocttes: Michael J. Fox broods Comparatively thoughtful war film from Brian De Palme. Cannon Oxford Street (01-636

CINEMA PARADISO (PS): Gluseppe Tomatore's nostalgic tale of a small Sicilian cinema; a hugely ing salute to the movies. Curzon Marytaly (01-465 8365).

DANCIN' THRU THE DARK (15) Willy Rusself's thin but bolsterous cornedy-musical set in a Liverpool

dance hall. Cannons: Chelses (01-352 5096) Tottenhen Court Road (01-636 6148) Warner (01-439 0791) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324).

CIRIVING MISS DAYEY (U): ssica Tendy as the prickly Southern lady with a black chauffeur (Morgan Freeman). Accomplished, endearing. Carmon Sharhambury Avenue (01-836 6861) Wheeler (11-235 4225) mm on the HM (01-435 3366) Warner (01-439 0791).

THE FABULOUS BAKER BOYS (15): Highly diverting fireworks between a blonde singer (Michelle Pfelffer) and two cocktell planists (Jeff and Beau Bridges).

OFAMILY BUSINESS: Curate's ogg comedy-drama about a family of crooks (Sean Connery, Dustin Hoffman, Matthew Broderick). Cannon Person Street (01-530 0631) Notting HIII Coroset (01-727 6705) Odeons: Kensington (01-802 6644/5) Marble Arch (01-723 2011).

FELLOW TRAVELLER (15): Ron victim in 1950s England. Stylish. Metro (01-437 0757).

QLORY (15): Edward Zwick's impassioned salute to the black Americans who fought in the Civil War, powerful performances. on Sheffesbury Avenue (01-836 8861),

HAMLET GOES BUSINESS (15): Caustio, updated Shakespeare filmed in B-movie style by Finnish ester Aki Keurismi Everymen (01-435 1525).

+ HONEY, I SHRUNK THE KIDS (U): Minuscule children battle through their garden to safety. Engaging special effects romo. Odeona: Kansington (01-602 6044/5) West End (01-930 5252/7615) Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905) Cannon Chelsea (01-552 5096) Whiteleys (01-792

THE HOUSE OF EVERNATION ALBA (15): Lorca's play about a widow and her six daughters; fine acting, but tedious cinema. TOTAL (01-436 4470). JESUS OF MONTREAL (10):

Passion Play trouble in Montreal. Obvious but elegant satire from director Denvs Arcand. Renotr (01-837 8402).

LIFE AND HOTHING BUT (PO): The emonoral atterment of World War One, sensitively explored by

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♦ LOCK UP (18): Factory-belt prison drame, with Sylvester Stations facing the wrath of worden Donald Sumerand. Cunnon Oxford Street (01-636

miere (01-439 4470).

0310). MONKEY SHINES (18): Uply nonsense about a quadriplegic and a human-eating monkey. Prince Charles (01-457 8181).

PARENTHOOD (12): Ron Howard's opisodic heart-wermer about family life. Steve Martin heads a stering cast Cannon Oxford Street (C1-536 0310) Plaza (01-497 9999) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324).

PLAFF: High-pitched satirical lunacy from Cube, about a combetive mother-en-law assalled

by sogs. ICA Cinema (01-930 3647). MENEGLADES (15): Tough cop and bad boy team to rescue a sacred Indian spear, Lame thniler, starring Cannona: Haymerket (01-839 1527) Street (01-536 0310).

◆ SEA OF LOVE (18): Cop (Al Pacino) and murder suspect (Ellen erkin) fall in love. Atmospheric,

raunchy thriller. Cannons: Baker Street (01-935 9772) Fulham Road (01-370 2636) Oxford Street (01-636 0310) Plaza (01-497 9999) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324).

SHADOW MAKERS (12): ROWNO Joffé's compelling account of Oppenheimer (Dwight Schultz) perfecting the atom bomb; Paul WITHIN TOWERS ON the Sciellness Empire (01-497 9999) Connone: Fulham Road (01-370 2635) ttenham Court Road (01-636

. STEEL MAGNOLIAS (PQ): Female gossip and tears Down South. Overly-sentimental, though some performers please (Julia) Roberts, Olympia Dukakis). Bartslom (01-538 8891) Odeous Kensington (01-502 5644/5) Swims Cottage (01-722 5905) Cannon Cheisea (01-352 5096) Whiteleys (01-792 3303/3324).

THE SUMMER OF AVIVA (POLE) Cohen's prize-winning film about a young girl facing up to the Phoenia (01-883 2233).

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THE WAR OF THE ROSES (151: A perfect murriage self-destructs violently. Exhausting black comedy, with Michael Dougles and Kathleen Odeon Leicester Square (01-830

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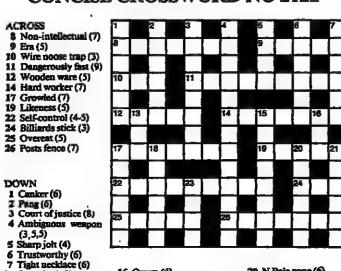
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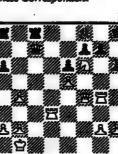
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• Fred Zinnemann is not a fashionable name at the moment and his films do not obviously reveal that personal signature which distinguishes the artist from the craftsman. At first glance, it is hard to see what connects movies as disparate as High Noon, Oklahoma! and The Day of the Jackal. Alan Lewens's profile for Arena (BBC2, 9.30pm) sensibly resists the attempt to impose a thesis and opts for the straightforward course of letting



Fred Zinnemann: many stars made their serves debuts in his films (BBC2, 9,30pm)

the subject speak for himself, prompted by clips. Although the approach is stronger on anecdote than analysis, there are recurrent themes and not just zinemann's extraordinary record on launching new talent. Montgomery Clift, Marlon Brando, Grace Kelly and John Hurt all made their screen debuts in his films. He was also, particularly in his younger days, a bit of a rebel, bold in his choice of subject and prepared to stand up to the studios. Even High Noon was a samble from a director with no comment. gamble from a director with no commercial track record. To minimize the risk, it was shot in four weeks on a tiny budget. When Zinnemann speaks of Sir Thomas More in A Man For All Seasons as being the spiritual cousin of the marshal in High Noon, he is alluding to a consistent interest in characters driven by a commitment to passionately held beliefs. Perhaps we have the germ of a thesis after all. The proof must ultimately lie in the films. High Noon is showing tonight (BBC2, 11,20pm) and a Zinnemann season continues over the weekend with The Nun's Story and The Sundowners. Stephen Fry and Hugh Laurie happily acknowledge a comic debt to *Monty*Python's Flying Circus, and Pythonesque
elements (such as Fry pretending to be Michael Jackson) are not hard to detect in the new series of Fry and Laurie (BBC2, 9.00pm). And if you start playing the influences game, you would have to include also Tommy Cooper and the Two Ronnies. But Fry and Laurie are clever enough to build on traditions rather than simply follow them. Time and again they take on the cliché and subvert it. Their psychiatrist's sketch seems to be proceeding on predictable lines, only to blow the audience's expectations apart. There have been many jokes about sports commentators who describe everything except the game, Fry and Laurie take the formula into realms of soaring word-play and fantastic invention and their punchline

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11.00 News and weather followed by Omen Air Linux Indian and Fam

Open Air. Jayne Irving and Earnonn Holmes report from the Ideal Home Edabition which opens tomorrow at London's Earls Court. Plus advice on mortgages and nome improvements and the name of the victors of the victors of the 250,000

name of the winner of the \$50,000 Radio Times House Game

12.00 News and weather toowed by Daydine Live. Alen The human is in Poole Narbour weating the embal of the Jubilee Sailing Trust's tail ship Lord Nelson, the crew of which includes two physically handlesped and two while bodied members sponsored by Daydine Live 12.56 Regional news and weather.

1.00 Critical News with Philip Haydon, Wasther 1.30 Nelsons Henry hears disturbing news about Bronwyn

1.50 Pins The Man from Lammia (1955) marring James Sawart and Arthur Kennedy, A man's search for his brother a killer hade to a deadly showdown with the vicious sen of a New Maddo cattle baron, Directed by Anthony Mann. (Ceefax)

3.30 Tom and Jerry Triple Bill 3.50 is That a Fact? An exploration of the Northern Ireland legend of Lost Leotony 4.05 Bananassan in The Great Air Race (r) 4.10 Jacksnory, Connie Booth with part five of E. B. White's Charlotte's Web 4.35 New Yogi Beer Show 4.30 Eyespy. The first of a new series presented by Christopher Rowe

4.55 Newsound Extra. Roger Finn reports on a scheme for a 2300 million film-making and leisure complex at Rainham in Essex. The scheme is meeting opposition from naturn lovers who claim that the 1,000-acr she is home for rare birds, plants and animals 5.05 Grange Hill. The final episode and Robbie and Mike are in court. (Ceefax)

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6.00 Sb: O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Moira Shaart. Weather
6.30 Regional News Megazines
7.00 Wogan with Mike Gatting, David Graveney, Peter Ustinov and the Cusack sisters Niamh, Sorcha and Sinead. Plus a song from Ruby Turner

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7.46 'Alio 'Aliol René is ordered by Michelie to photograph German plans for the invasion of Britain, while Edith, her life in danger, disguises herself as her own mother (r). (Ceefax)
8.10 Whicker's World: Hong Kong — Jean Maken You Full Alan Wicker meets former drug addicts in Kowloon, recued by Christian missionaries and converted to Christianity. (Ceefax)

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9.00 Nine O'Check News with Michael Buert. Regional news and weather 9.30 Campion. The first of a two-part murder mystery in which Margery Allingham's celebrated sleuth treestigates multiple murders in a judge's house. Starring Peter Davison and Brian Glover. (Ceefax)

10.25 Move Over Darling: Where Next?

Concluding the series, a number of

Britain's women MPs and other guests debate women's workplace roles in the 1990s

11.05 World Figure Sketing
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10.00 The Time... The Place... Mike
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10.40 This Moming, Magazine series
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Judy Firingan. Today's edition
includes items on looking and feeling
good, pet care and gardening.
With national and international news
at 10.55 and regional news at
11.55 followed by national weather
12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets

Plainbow. Learning with puppets
12.30 Home and Away. Marty is
challenged to a duel by Meataxe
News at One with John Suchet.
Weather 1.20 Thames News and

Weather

1.30 It's a Vet's Life. Anna Walker
learns why the RSPCA are
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Baxter examines some natural
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4.00 Utterly Brilliant. Timmy Mallett is
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House. Slapstick game show
5.10 Home and Away (7)
6.40 News with Sue Carpenter.
Weather 5.55 Police 5 Plus
6.00 6 O'Clock Live includes the family
of six who will be paying one of the
highest poli tax bills
7.00 Through the Keyhole. A new
series in which Loyd Grossman,
offers a guided tour through a
celebrity's home, while Chris Tarrant,
Alan Coren and Stephanie
Calman try to work out who owns it.
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continues to surprise people at home
and at work with reunions with
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Followed by Get Ready for
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9.00 The Charmer: Gorse in the
Middle. Pamela's prognancy has
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10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and Julia Somerville. Weather 10.25
LWT News and weather followed by Get Ready for Telethon 90

10.40 The London Programme. Trevor Phillips reports on what the politics will mean to the public and the politicians who have set it

11.10 Beauty and the Beast: The Alchemist. When Catherine and Vincent learn that a chemist hiding out in the tunnels is providing the set of the politicians who have set it some set in the set of th

vincent learn that a chemist hiding out in the tunnels is providing the city with powerful drugs, they do all they can to put a stop to his lucrative but deadly trade

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1.06 The James Whale Radio Show.
The controversial chat show host challenges people to ring film and teep him occupied for 60 seconds.

Followed by News headlines
2.05 CinemAttractions. Movie news
and reviews from across the Atlantic
2.35 The Fall Guy. Colt is framed for possession of heroin white on his way to give evidence at a trial (r) 3.36 Ski Tips. Advice on improving

your skiing technique 4.06 Ski World, Ideas for a successful skiing holiday

4.35 Crusade in Europe (b/w). The documentary series based on Eisenhower's memoirs focused

5.05 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at 6.00

6.45 Open University: Earthquakes —
Seismology at Work. Ends at 7.10
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7.30 Byrings. Spike Milligan explores archaeological sites in East Sussex. (London and East only)
8.00 Public Eye: Making Fathers Pay. Report on proposed Government legislation to force absent fathers refusing to support their children to pay up

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9.00 A Bit of Fry and Leane. (Ceefax) (see Choice)

9.30 Arena: Fred Zinnemann — A Director's Life (see Choice)

10.30 Newanight 11.15 Weather

11.20 Film: High Noon (1952, b/w) starring Gary Cooper and Grace Kelly. Oscar-winning performance from Cooper as Marshal Kane, who learns on his retirement and wedding day that his old enemy is arriving on the noon train.

Directed by Fred Zinnemann. Ends at 12.45am

8.00 The Channel Four Daily 8.25 Schools 12.00 The Parliament Programme. Marjorie Mowlem, the Labour DTI spokeswoman, takes a lightnearted look at the week's

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4.30 Countdown
5.00 World Figure Skating
Championships. Highlights of the men's free programme
5.30 A Hundred Acres. Clay Jones with his weekly report on the constant changes in wildlife, insects, plents and brids in his 100 acres of secret countryside

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7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Show
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7.55 Book Choice. Finding
Connections, an autobiographical
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journey to Australasia, is reviewed by
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3.00 The Great Moghuis: Aurangzeh.
In this final programme of the series
Bamber Gascolgne examines the
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8.30 Weikle Tailde. Muriel Gray with
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9.00 Cheers. Sam and Norm face
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9.30 Growing Places with Penelope
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10.00 Whose Line Is it Anyway? Offthe-cuff comedy series

10.30 One Hour with Jonathan Ross.
The guests are Marco Pierre White,
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11.30 Film: Scrubbers (1982) starring
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2.05 First Farrell For The People 2.80 Aerosmith 4.065.00 Night Beat.

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News 6.00-7.00 News 10.28

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Worlds Beyond 4.10 Sid Tips 4.35-5.05 Jobfinder.

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10.00 The New Price is Right 10.30 The
Young Doctors 11.00 Sky by Day 12.00
Another World 12.50pm As the World
Turns 1.45 Loving 2.15 A Problem
Shared 2.45pm Here's Lucy 3.15 Beverly
Hills Teans 3.45 Mystery Island 4.00
The Addams Family 4.30 The New Leave it
to Beaver 5.00 Sky Star Search 6.00
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Century 7.00 The Megician 8.00 Riptide
9.00 Hunter 10.00 All-American Wrestling
11.00 Sky World News Tonight 11.30 11.00 Sky World News Tonight 11.30
The Deadly Ernest Picture Show

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News on the hour. News on the hour.
5.00cm International Business Report
5.30 European Business Report 11.30
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Estavez
11.45 Kandyland (1987): An erotic
dencer's tile is threatened when one of her
co-dancers dies of a drugs overdose
1,45 am Made in Heaven (1987):
Timothy Hutton and Kelly McGillis as two
loss souls who return to Earth in search

4.00 The Color of Money (1986): Sequel to The Hustler. Starring Paul Newman and Tom Cruise. Ends at 5.55am

EUROSPORT

5.00 cm As Sky One 5.30 Menu 5.05
Mobil 1 Motor Sports News 5.30 Trax
10.00 Skiing 11.00 World Cup Footbal
12.30 cm Surfer Maguzine 1.00 cm
Cricket: West Indies v England, fourth
one-day international, from Guyane 2.00
Baskerbal 4.00 Figure Skating 6.00
Handball 7.00 WWF Prime Time Wreating
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11.10 Edge of Night 11.35 Great Americ
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7.30. 8.30 and 10.00cm
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Simon Mayo 9.30 Mike Read
12.30cm Newsbeat 12.46
Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright in
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Life for Me 11.06 Biby Butter
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WORLD SERVICE

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RADIO 3

8.36am Open University (PM only)
8.85 Westher and News
Headlines
7.40 Morning Concert: Cherubial
(Overtare, Anaoreor):
Henover Band under Roy
Goodman); Debussy (Solrée
dans Granade; Jardins sous
is pluie "Estampes": Zolfen
Kocsis, piano); Stravinsky,
orch M. Colombiar
(Pastorale: ECO under
Andrew Litton); Ovofék
(Silent Woods: Los Angeles 8.26mm Open University (FM

Andrew Litton): Dvořák
(Silent Woods: Los Angeles
CO under Schwarz, with
Douglas Davie, pelio)
7.38 Morning Concert (cont):
Wagner (Overture,
Columbus: Bavarian RSO
under Tate); Poulenc (Suite
rapoli: Eric Parldn, plano);
Stravimky (Pour Norwegan
Moods: Cleveland Orchestra
under Chality); Dvořák
(American Sutin: RLPO
under Pesek)
8.39 Cemposers of the Weak
Scandinavian Senson.
Nielsen. Symphony No 8
"Sinfonia semplice" (LSO
under Ole Schmidt); Violin
Sonuta No 2 in G minor
(Lydia Mordkovitch, violin,

sonum No 2 in 6 (rithor (Lydia Mordkovitch, violin, Clifford Benuron, plano) a.25 Let Benury Awake: Music inspired by love and beauty. Couperin (Ritratto dell'amore: Trio Sonrecte); Vivaidi (Violin Concerto "1'Amores": Cheese

Vivaga (Vibora Concaro "L'Amorose": Simon Standage): Ruud van der Meer, buritone, performs songs by Louis Andriessen Faure and Vaughen Williams, and Burbara Henvirleits songan Hendricks, socrano. performs songs by Gerahwin; Casullo Arrau plays Liszt's peraphrase on il trovatore Schoenberg's Pelleas und Melisande, conducted by Herbert von Karajan; and Cecil

Aronowitz, viola, performs Vaughan Williams's suite, Hos campi 12.25ee BSC Scottish SO under Water Weller, with Peter Frankl, piano, performs Mendelssohn (Piano Concerto No 1): Brahms Overture)

1.00 News
1.05 Chamber Music from
Marchester Live from
Studio 7. Matisse Plant
Quartet performs Bill Connor (Sonata): Fauré (Quartet No 2) Quartet No 2)
2.00 Daniel Jones Symphonies:
BBC Wests 50 under
Bryden Thomson performs
Glinka (Overture, Ruslan
and Ludmilla); Jones
(Symphony No 9)

2.30 Vanics, Splendour of the World: Landini Consort parforms caremonial music and secular songs for three early 15th century Venetian doges by Cloonia and his conference to contemporaries (r)
3.19 Jane Frenklova: The plantst
performs Beethoven
(Sonata in F minor, Op 57

(Sonata in F minor, Op 57

"Appassionata"; Prokofiev
(Sonata No 2 in D minor, Op
14); Schumann (Davidsbündiertanza, Op 6)

4.35 NCOS Symphony Orchestra
under Adrian Leaper and
Peter Stark performs John
Woolrich (The Barber*
Throspiace); Kalth Gifford
(Wood-Plank Bridge); Martin
Burter (The Flights of Col);
Keitr Gifford (Moumain
Shadows); John Woolrich (A
Song of the Dark)

6.45 Nordic Synoopations:
Scandinavian Sesson.
Three musiclans from
Sweden, including
clarinaviat Sven
Hasselgard, pianist Bangt claments sven Hassetgard, piantst Bengt Haliberg and bartione saxophonist/composer Lars Gullin, are the focus of the

third of six programmes, presented by John Surman 5.15 Workshop with David Owan Norris 7.00 Third Ear: Colin Ford In conversation with American documentary photographer Effott Erwitt, ex-president of Magnum, on the occasion of his retrospective autibidon at Hamilton Galleries, London; and a survey of

London; and a survey of work by Magnum photographers at the Hayward Gallery 7.30 BBC Symphony Orchestra under Andrew Devis; EBC Singers under Simon Joly, perform Mozart (Solerm Vespers) 8.00 Mahler and his several surreduces he his several symptony by Richard Osborne 8.20 Mahler (Symphony No 7). Live from the Royal Festival

9.55 The Friday Play: The Well of the Saints, by J.M. Synge. Having their sight restored at the Holy Well brings new problems to the lives of Martin and Mary Doul, With LG. Deviln as Martin and Catherine albson as Mary

11.05 Composers of the Week:
Scandinavian Season. Gade
and Svendsen (r)

12.00 Nows 12.05 Pealms of Pontiones: The Stoteen under Harry Ciristophers performs Andrea Gabrieli's setting of Psaim 31, Beati quorum remissae sunt iniquitates. English verse transition I Thomas Wyatt (r)

RADIO 4

LW (s) Stereo on FM
3-95am Shipping Forecast 8.00
Nove Sriefing: Weather
6.10 Farming Today 6.25
Prayer for the Day (s) 6.30
Today, and 6.30, 7.00,
7.30, EDS, 8.30 Nove;
6.35, 7.35 Weather 8.35
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8.50 Noves

9.00 News 9.06 Depart Island Diece: Sue Lawley with Sir Ian

value of shares hills; and discovers who Dow-Jones 12.00 News; You and Yours: Presented by John Howard. Including a new weekly series with tips on how to complain. Part 1: Faulty

Goods
12.25pm The Food Programme with Derek Cooper. 9.00 The World at One

tall, London styings 3.00 Mews; Classic Serial: The Mystery of Edwin Drood, by Charles Dickans,

dramatized in five perts by David Buck. With lan Holm as John Jasper. Part 2: A Disappearance (s) (see Choice) 4.00 News FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m;FM-97.6-99.8. (London area FM-104.8.) Radio 2: 683kHz/483m;509kHz/330m;FM-99.2. Radio 3: 1215kHz/287m; FM-90-92.4. Radio 4: 198kHz/1515m;FM-92.4-84.6. LBC: 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3. Capital: 1548kHz/194m; FM 95.8. Greater London Radio: 1458kHz/205m; FM 94.9; World Service: MW 648kHz/463m.

Trethowan (s) (r) 9.45 Telling Lies: The second of four programmes about deceit and the detection of

decelt and the detection of lying
10.00 News, Special Assignment
10.30 Moming Story: It's a
Liberty, written and read by Grace Glover
10.45 Daily Service (s)
11.00 Analysis: Home Truths. To encourage home ownership, the Chancellor is under pressure to increase tax relief. As the housing market felters, David Welter assesses the implications of the boom in owner. the boom in owner

occupation (r)
11.47 Enquire Within: Dilly Barlow visits the City to investigate where the money was and exactly how much a billion is

win berek cooper. Selmonelle in eggs. Did the scientists get it wrong? Uane Ray investigatios 12.33 Weather

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast
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Successive Workship Hour: From
Manchester. MP's Joen
Lastor and Abstain Burt
debate the issue of parental
responsibility; a feature on
the history of fish and chips;
and an item on mothers'

4.36 Fraccia Miles's Last Shot (see Choice)
4.36 Kalaidoscope: Louisa Buck reviews the rew Jackson Pollock biography, a feature on tonight's opening of the West Yorkshire Payhouse; and Alan Frank with a found-up of new film releases, including War of the Roses and Fabulous Baker Boys (s) (f)
5.60 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather

5.55 Weather 5.50 Six O'Clock News, Financia Report
6.30 Going Places: Clive Jacobs
with travel and transport

with travel and transport news
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.30 Pick of the Week with June Knos-Mawer (s)
8.05 Any Cuestions? Jonatism Dimbleby in Kings Lynn, Norfolk, with panellists Tony Blair, MP: The Telegraph group editor, Max Hastings; Charles Kennedy, MP; and Shelia Lawlor, deputy director of studies at the Centre for Policy Studies
8.00 Law in Action: Review of events in the courts and the legal profession with Marcel

legal profession with Marcel Berlins. Last in the present series 9.15 Kaleidoscope: Are You Sitting? A study of the rulationship between portrait painter and sitter, with contributions from postage points. portrait painter John portrait painter John
Bellamy; Gerald Scarle,
cartoonist and painter; Tom
Philips, who painted the
most recent portrait of the
Prince of Wales; Mick
McGahey, the Scottish
miners' leader and a
traquent etter; and society
painter June Mendoza (s)
9.45 Letter from America by
Allstair Cooke 9.58

Alistair Cooke 9,50 10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bactimir. News from Nowhere, by William Morris (final part)
11.00 Week Ending: Satirical review of the week's news

11.45 Today in Parliament 12.00-12.30am News, Incl 12.30 Weether 12.33 Shipping FM as Listening Corner (s) 1.50pm Listening Corner (s) 2.05-3.00 For Schools (s) 3.50-5.55 PM (cont) 12.30-1.10mm

11.25 The Financial Week

(RADIO CHOICE)

Peter Davalle Separated by a five-minute

news bulletin that will, doubtless, also have something to say about the enigmas of human behaviour, Radio 4 offers two celebrated mysteries this afternoon: The Mystery of Edwin Drood (3.00pm), to which Leon Garfield will offer his solution in three weeks; and Freddie Mills's Last Shot (4.05pm). The latter has Desmond



Boxer Freddie Mills: found dead in his car (R4, 4.05pm)

sports presenting on tele vision, raking over the cold ashes in an attempt to find Something New in the case of the fighter found dead in his car 25 years ago, a fairground rifle at his side, fingerprintfree. Suicide, said the coroner. But murder theories persisted, and they still persist. Naturaily, Lynam, and his cast of expert witnesses, play safe on the whodunnit possibilities. Legally, the whydunnit options are less dicey, and the familiar scenarios are trotted out - health worries; financial problems over Mills's nightclub, bracketed with rumours about a protection racket; even gossip about bisexuality. Then, the promise of Something New: a phone call from a woman. But it was cut short, and this hare ran no further. The Mystery of Freddie Mills must wait a bit longer for its

own Leon Garfield.

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From Michael McCarthy

Environment Correspondent

The Hague

Britain was accused by the

"playing with all our lives"

furious row over British re-

fusal to rule out future nuclear

waste disposal under the

The environment ministers

from the eight other con-

the Secretary of State for the

Environment, to rule out sub-

seabed disposal, which is an

retaining for the planned deep

waste repository to be built at either Sellufield in Combris or

As a result, the final con-

ference declaration was not

unanimous and Britain en-

tered a footnote stating its

disagreement with Article 32,

to the unconcealed anger of a

number of countries, es-

Times."It is unacceptable. The British are playing with

"I am very angry about it

and most of us are angry. Mr

Patten should have agreed. I

am very, very sorry, and I am

sorry for future generations."

Mrs Birgetta Dahl, said: "We

used all our strength and a lot

of time to try and bring the

UK with us and we are very

the Dutch Transport Minister, Mrs Hanja Maij-Weggen, said: There is a strong dis-appointment with the United

Mr Patten himself said on

leaving the conference that Britain had "absolutely no

intentions or plans to deal

He went on: "But we argued

in our footnote that the com-

petent international authori-

ies have not declared that the

burial under the seabed would

not be a suitable option. We

therefore did not feel that we

intentions whatsoever of

pursuing that for the foresec-

able future and I doubt whether we will be looking at

any decisions about that in the

competent international bod-

Sub-seabed disposal of

nuclear waste, accessed from

in the Baltic, Mr Patten said.

"So it is happening already,

not under our aegis, and it is

also the case that a number of

the countries represented at

the conference actually send

ies for decades to come."

"But I repeat, we have no

could disagree with that.

with waste in that way."

The conference chairman,

Her Swedish counterpart,

all our lives.

disappointed."

Kingdom."

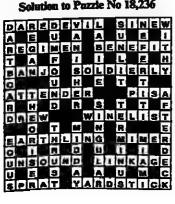
Mrs Dybkjaer told The

pecially the Scandinavians.

Dounreav in Caithness.

- terminal having a shiny case (8). 5 Programme that is viewed in the 9 One member allowed to be in-
- direct (8).
- 10 A measure of the alliance (6). 12 Group of schoolchildren run out of energy (5).
- 13 Scattered freely, it's found beside a minor thoroughfare (9).
- 14 Item of equipment to which failed artists return? (7-5). 18 At sea, carry the component
- covered by this agreement (7-5).
 21 Litter removed in the east by.
- a church (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,236



40-ton ammunition store found



Inspector Graham Chivers, of Wiltshire Police, displaying a round of unition, part of a a 40-ton store found by police at an isolated farm at Rowde, near Devizes, yesterday. Police went to the farm after a tip from

the public and found the ammunition, some of it Israeli, in a shed (Stewart Tendler writes). Hundreds of thou-

unition to Salisbury Plain where it will be destroyed. Police say there is no evidence of any terrorist

Later Mr Adrian Bull, aged 35 and a registered arms dealer from Devizes,

next Monday by Trowbridge Magistrates' Court, charged with pos-session of illegal ammunition. Mr Bull owns the Wiltshire Small Arms Company, which he runs from home.

Tory outcry grows Hotline to armies of protest

against Fayeds Continued from page 1 of Fraser. Mr Neil Kinnock, disqualification was a the Labour leader, said that the Government's decision to Ridley. Mrs Thatcher referred take no action was an open to replies given during 30 invitation to similar dis-He demanded that the Prime Minister explain why

the Government thought it was emphasized in was not in the public interest to take action against the Fayed brothers, who according to a Department of Trade and Industry report had lied persistently to win approval for the takeover. Mr Kinnock asked at Prime

Minister's Question Time: "If her Government will not use its powers to disqualify directors who have been shown to be guilty of deliberate and persistent dishonesty, in what circumstances will she ever take action?"

honesty by others.

Refusing to become involved, the Prime Minister for Sir Patrick Mayhew, the can lawyer.

Attorney General. The matter quasi-judicial decision for Mr minutes of questions to Mr Ridley on Wednesday and added: "I rest my own replies upon his.'

Whiteball that the decision not to disqualify the directors had been Mr Ridley's alone, but it was stressed that disqualification was not to be seen as a punishment but as a of protecting the

After coming under pres-sure from MPs, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, ing a debate on the 752-page report

The Attorney General is to be asked to investigate how 1,000 copies of a "stolen" volume of the report were said prosecution was a matter allegedly printed by an Ameri-

Continued from page 1 sent out in April the English groups will begin gathering lists of people who have said they will not pay. A sophis-ticated log book will be drawn up and the "scumbusters" will move in. "We are so well organized that we can get 200 people to the address of a poinding in under 20 minutes. The sheer force of us getting

Mr McLean, aged 45, said. "I have been involved in stopping three pointings, as

together frightens them off."

objection is what the poll tax is doing to people, splitting up families and making parents force their children out of their houses because they can't afford the bills."

Thousands of leaflets, containing the hotime number, are being distributed to homes in and around Edinburgh by the Lothian Anti-Poll Tax Federation advising people what to do if they are threatened with poindings.

mixture of ordinary people. I said they had more than 30 am not politically minded. My cars manned by posses of cars manned by posses of scumbusters ready to swing into action. "There are only 30 sheriff officers in the Lothians so they are completely outaround in twos, but now they arrive in threes, two to go to the door, one to watch the car

Mir Clachers, aged 26, claimed there were now about 260,000 people in the Lothians who had refused to pay or were seriously in arrears. Naturally, neither he nor Mr

Political sketch

Nice Mr Nellist rescues Mummy

For the Tories, yesterday was the best Prime Minister's Question Time for months. It is hard to know why. Everyone can tell that the Harrods thing stinks. The obvious question for Mrs Thatcher is why the Fayed brothers are permitted to carry on; and Mr Kinnock put it with clarity. Yet. somebow, quite without effeet. Her answer (given three times) was that this was the decision Nicholas Ridley had taken. So there. She was plainly avoiding the ques-tion, yet Mr Kinnock failed to

work up the momentum that

logic seemed to demand. Why? Beneath their dozy and soup-stained exteriors, MPs have a keen (often unconscious) instinct for what will run and what won'L On this affair, perhaps, they sense two things. First, that while Harrods prospers the past actions of its directors are of limited interest to the general public. Second, that Mummy has made up her mind; she's not going to change it; and that — history has taught us - is that.

And for some reason she was knocking them all for six, vesterday. It fell to poor Stan Orme (Lab, Salford East, and once a Cabinet minister) to tell her that yesterday was International Women's Day which is being celebrated throughout the world". What was she doing, Mr Orme wondered, about child benefit? What was she doing to help those "millions of women in this country who are suffering from the eco-nomic policies of her Government." What, in short, was she doing for women? Well she was carrying on

being Prime Minister: that was what she was doing. But she resisted the temptation to say so. Instead, she gave a small lecture, head down. about improvements to the tax-status of women. Then she looked up, mis-chievously. "I also add that the small number of women beads of government has been added to by another woman" (she paused) "in Nicaragua".

And it was the same over place, but (even on this) they are beginning to score the playground points that mat-

Mummy has made up her mind on the poll-tax, too. She told us so yesterday in no uncertain terms, "And while we're on the subject" (which we weren't) she volunteered, in so many words, what about Militant?

Not for the first time. Militant have come magnificently to the rescue of the Conservative Party. For months Tory back-benchers have been longing for a way of patching up their quarrels over poli tax, and now they have found it.

"... Disgraceful and dangerous scenes," barked Gedling's Andrew Mitchell in our council cham-Roars of Tory bers . . .

approval.
"I utterly condemn them," was Mrs T's shock response (more roars), "the negation of democracy" (more roars).
And, while we were on the subject (which we weren't) will Mr Kinnock also condemn the 28 Labour MPs who are urging that people should not pay the community charge?"
"Not 28, 31," shouted one

of them, Coventry's Dave

"Call Nellist! Call Nellist!" cried excited Tories to Mr Speaker. It was shameless, but effective.

Out of a sense of fair play, no doubt, towards the Labour Party, the Speaker called the Liberals instead - their Leader, Paddy Ashdown, who put a cogent case for an alternative to poll tax, and put it with skill. In Hansard it will read very well. But nobody was listening. All the Tonies were baying for Dave Nellist. Nellist belongs to the tiny fringe of Labour MPs who have supported Militant.
And Mr Nellist just stood

there, raging, wordless, against an authority which would not let him speak; his heart near bursting with anger in the cause of the downtrodden whom he tirelessly defends; his head full of arguments against the injustice he sees; his eyes tight shut against the one thing that every other MP in the Chamber could see: that - just at that moment - he, Dave poll-tax. The Government's Nellist, was more important argument may be all over the to Mrs Thatcher than any other man in the whole

Mr Andy Clachers, vicewell as hundreds of demon-**Matthew Parris** McLean had paid a penny. ter, in politics. After all, strations. We are just a huge president of the federation, Moscow and Cuba trade insults as rift comes into the open

Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia all condemned Cuba for violating human rights. "They have joined the United States," Dr Castro said.

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nis Commission expect big cuts. He insisted, however, that

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know this."

Continued from page 1 Moscow was maintaining its declared once again that his dict on the Nicaraguan electron couple of years, has depended to the tion, saying the defeat of the heavily on Cuba.

Cuba at the United Nations billion) a year. This has come death to preserve its pure-form death to preserve its pure-form that the Sandinistan had created an Managua, Sandinistan had created and placed about a page 1. that contains serious risks of civil war."

telephoned former President Daniel Ortega on the morning He confirmed that he was after his defeat and expressed halting military aid to Nica- rage that he could have been ragua. The Sandinista govern-ment, though estranged from revolution into the "bourgeois" Havana somewhat in the past territory" of elections.

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- the end of the year (8). 8 Flat secured, say, at the end of the day (8). 11 Source of a time Dinah arranged
- 15 Graduate tectotaller, a celebrity in several companies (9). 16 Insular headgear worn in the monastery? (8).
- 17 In an Irish county, see a black cow (8). 19 Strong drink provided for holy man during journey (6).
- 20 Theme for most of the study (6). 22 Key kept by discriminating rel-

Concise crossword, page 18-

WORD-WATCHING By Philip Howard CARLIS

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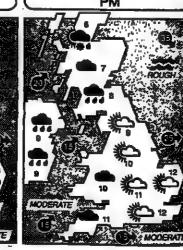
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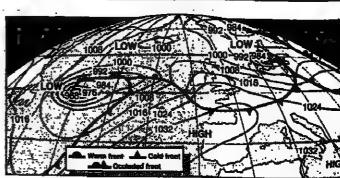
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Executive Editor David Brewerton

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Market report, page 27

WPP soars to £75m

WPP Group raised pre-tax profits from £40.3 million to £75 million in the year to end-December. A 12.9p final makes 24.2p, up from 17.8p. WPP took brand values of J Walter Thompson and Hill and Knowlton on to its 1988 balance sheet, and a review of brand names acquired with Ogilvy is being undertaken. Any revaluation will be incorporated into 1989 accounts, due in May. Tempus, page 22

Coats' £137m Coats Vivella profits rose 2 per cent to £137 million in the year to December on sales 3 per cent up at £1.9 billion, but

earnings fell 6 per cent to 15.1p. The final is 6p, making 9p again. Tempus, page 22 Ladbroke peak Ladbroke reported peak prof-

its of £302.2 million, up 20 per cent. Earnings rose 21 per cent to 24.26p. Dividends were 20 per cent up at 9.79p after a 5.65p final.

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GrandMet may receive £800m from Elders deal

By Colin Campbell

Shares in Grand Metropolitan jumped 14p to 563p in the wake of the long-awaited revamp of Elders IXL, the Australian group headed by Mr John Elliott, which buries City fears that GrandMet was heading for a rights issue.

The mechanics of the proposed pub-for-breweries swop and the property aspects of the Elders plan suggest GrandMet could receive a net cash injection of between £700 million and £800 million.

Under Elders' extensive restructuring programme, the group is to

spin off its non-beer interests, concentrate on becoming a brewing company (to be named Foster's Brewing Group), expand its British brewing activities, and form a joint company with GrandMet to develop their combined pub estates.

Mr Allen Sheppard, the GrandMet chairman, said that by agreeing a pubs-for-breweries swop GrandMet ceases to be a brewer. However, "the corporate shuffle crystalizes GrandMet's strategy of

concentrating on three definitive business divisions — drinks, food, and retailing - and opens up exciting opportunities on the property front," he said. One key element of yesterday's announcement is that GrandMet will not, as the City had feared, be taking any equity stake in the new Foster's Brewing Group.

Analysts were concerned that had GrandMet taken an equity

Comment. stake of up to 25 per cent it could have been thrown off its stragetic course. In addition, GrandMet might have been obliged to make a rights issue to fund its obligations. But the GrandMet message to the market yesterday was "there is going to be no rights issue." The net effect of the Elders-GrandMet plan - yet to be fully de-

tailed and approved by regulatory authorities and shareholders - is that GrandMet stands to receive "a significant cash amount." Analysts suggest the injection of

up to £800 million should be sufficient to cut GrandMet's gearing, last disclosed at 95 per cent, by between 20 per cent and 25 per cent. Mr Sheppard said the company was now finalizing negotiations for the sale to Courage of its British brewing operations; the merging of GrandMet and Courage tenanted estates into Inntrepreneur Estates, which would initially hold 8,500 properties with an asset value of £2.8 billion; and the leasing of 320 Courage sites by the joint company to GrandMet's managed pubs and restaurant business. Of particular significance because of its property experise, is the agreement that Innurepreneur Estates will be

administered by GrandMet. Mr Sheppard said because there had been so much speculation about a deal with Mr John Elliott, it had been agreed Elders should announce its own reorganization plans as soon as possible, GrandMet plans to make its own detailed statement next week.

Elders' other plans include the flotation of its agribusiness interests, which would have total assets of between Aus\$750 million and Aus\$850 million (£394 million), and the sale of all other businesses — the proceeds of which will be distributed to shareholders.

GrandMet said it decided not to take up any equity in Elders because regulatory issues might have jeopardized the overall plan. GrandMet shares luter truded at

Brierley reorganization call includes shares buy-back

Vickers rejects demerger for Rolls-Royce

Vickers has firmly re- manager jected proposals by Sir Ron Brierley, its 18.2 per cent shareholder, to demerge its Rolls-Royce car subsidiary and start a £140 million share buyback programme.

IEP Securities, Sir Ron's international vehicle, is planning to put proposals to float Rolls-Royce as an inde-pendent company, buy back the group's three classes of preference shares and up to 25 million ordinary shares, to Vickers' annual meeting on April 26. These were rejected by a Vickers' board meeting last month.

"We believe shareholders should have the opportunity to consider the merits of a demerger notwithstanding your own reservations," said Sir Ron in a letter to Sir David Plastow, Vickers' chairman.

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ROUS-ROYCE Would be left to the period of the 95p plus 55p a share in cash. The total of 255p compares with the present 214p share price, up 17p on the news. IEP owns 45 million Vickers shares, bought at an average of 200p each. Sir Ron stands to make almost £25 million profit if he succeeds.

However, City analysts say the proposals stand little chance of success as leading to back Sir David and his Sir Roz: not planning to bid

rules out the chance of IEP mounting a full bid which is estimated would cost more

than £900 million. "This suggests that Sir Ron does not have the muscle or the will to bid," said Mr Bob Barber, an engineering analyst at James Capel, the broker. "If you are going to make an offer you do not make a song and dance about hidden value." Other brokers suggested it is dependent between 1973 and an attempt by Sir Ron to raise 1980, when its p/e ratio the Vickers' price and find a buyer for his stake.

Sir Ron refused to rule out said it is not part of his current plans. "A bid is not the answer to every corporate opportunity. Perhaps it might be at a future time," he said. "The issue at the present time is purely one of value.

"If the company can come up with very good reasons why it is not a good idea we



needs a re-think.

"Success won't be easily achieved, and it won't arrive overnight. But our record is one of success in all our situations," he added. Sir David rejected sugge

tions that an independent Rolls-Royce would command a high share price. He was chief executive of the car company when it was in-1980, when its p/e ratio fluctuated between 2 and 16 despite steadily rising profits.

"Rolls-Royce Motors has a the possibility of a full bid but very solid prospect of good earnings growth within Vickers," he said. Sir Ron first sugg

demerger to Vickers' board in the autumn of 1988, soon after he began building his stake. He is known to be scathing about the quality of the group's other businesses, which include armoured vehicles, luxury yachts and neonatal equipment. He is also concerned about the future of Vickers' £140 million cash pile after the group paid £106 million for Ross Catherall, the

alloys group.

Last week, Vickers revealed pre-tax profits for 1989 of £83.6 million, up 20 per cent. Sir David will use the group's record of 27 per cent annual carnings growth, as a main defence in his moves to make shareholders back the board's stand against the demerger plans. Comment, page 23



Fayed link with The Dorchester

Holdings, is a director of The Liechtenstein. Dorchester, Dorchester Hotel, addition to companies known to be part of the Fayed-owned House of Fraser group, new returns to Companies House

reveal. The Dorchester Hotel is these is a public company, bowever.

The statutory return also

shows that House of Fraser Holdings, holding company for the stores group and

Mr Mohamed Fayed, chair-man of House of Fraser Post Office box in Vaduz, which has been in its hands for licity. The Royal Bank of

shares.

The remaining share is shown in the names of "Mohamed, Salah and Ali Al Fayed" although Mr Mohamed Fayed has said that only owned by interests of the he, as senior of the three Sultan of Brunei. None of brothers, used the prefix "Al" - for reasons which the Department of Trade and Industry report into House of

Fraser said were bogus. Following publication, the Bank of England is under

about 18 months.

role in the Payeds' 1985 takeover of House of Fraser.

House of Fraser. The Bank has a duty to

and proper persons.

But where action is taken

This is the address of The Bank is regulator for the group and acted as a bank Dorchester Jewellers and a Alfayed Investment & Trust, Kleinwort Benson, the merin the takeover, is also study-company called Pageguide, in which owns all but one of the chant bank criticized over its ing the inspectors report. The statutory return reveals

that, as at December 6, House But attention will be fo- of Fraser Holdings had in-cused more on its attitude to debtedness of £425 million in Harrods Bank, a subsidiary of the form of mortgages and

ensure that directors and terday that it is considering controllers of a bank are fit suing Mr Norman Tebbit, who as Secretary of State for Trade handled the 1985 bid, in against a bank other than the addition to its projected acultimate sanction of removing tions against the Fayed brothits licence, it is unusual for any ers and Kleinwort Benson.

G7 chiefs will meet says Brady

Mr Nicholas Brady, the US Treasury Secretary, confirmed in Washington yesterday that the finance ministers of the Group of Seven leading industrialised countries would

hold a meeting in Paris on They are expected to discuss the impact of German monetary union and other events in Eastern Europe on exchange rates and the world economy. The strength of the dollar

could also be discussed. In foreign exchange markets yesterday the dollar closed lower in London, down three quaters of a pfennig at DM1.6995 and down 40 points against the yen at Y150.80. Sterling closed 0.1 lower in terms of its effective rate index at 87.7.

Compass in £97m bid for Sketchley

By Martin Waller

Compass Group, the contract Sketchley unveiled a disascatering and healthcare com- trous profits forecast showing

It is offering four Compass shares for every five Sketchley. At the time the offer was launched this valued, each Sketchley share at 292p and the company at £105.7 million. But with Compass shares dipping 30p to 335p, the value came back to 268p, or £97 million. The Sketchley share price rose 24p to 273p.

At the time it was aban-

pany, has leapt on Sketchley with an all-shares bid just weeks after it was in possible white knight" talks with the dry cleaner, then facing a hostile offer from Godfrey million. Last night, Sketchley re-

jected the offer, and said Mr Malcolm Glenn, the chairman, has resigned. A replacement is being sought, and a candidate has been identified. But Sketchlev is not slamming the door on a possible agreed deal at a higher price. The board will pursue dis-

cussions to see if proposals can be developed which might be in the best interests of doned on March 1, after shareholders.

Society to buy bank offshore

By Lindsay Cook Family Money Editor Bristol & West Building Society plans to buy a bank in Guernsey, it announced vesterday, reporting a 31 per cent increase in profits and a 36 per cent rise in assets in 1989. The society had a before-tax profit of £46.7 million after

allowing for a £2.3 million loss by its 70 estate agency offices. The move to establish Bristol & West International through acquisition of a bank in Guernsey will allow the society to pay interest gross to UK residents. Introduction of independent taxation pext month will make many married women non-taxpayers, wanting interest gross.

CGE water group takes over at AMI Healthcare

French buy private hospitals

By Graham Searjeant

Compagnie Générale des Eaux, the diversified French group that has bought into privatized British public services, has bought control of AMI Healthcare,

the leading quoted hospital group. AMI Inc., the American parent, which was subjected to a leveraged buyout, has, after months of informal auction and negotiation, sold its 65 per cent stake at a price that values the British offshoot at £245 million.

CGE, which has bought, or obtained controlling interests in, several British water supply companies, claims to be the leading operator of private hospitals in France. It already owns three hospitals in Britain. Adding AMI Healthcare's 18 hospitals will enable CGE to rival BUPA, whose purchase of hospitals in Britain from Hospital Corporation of America has been considered by the is the best short-term price available and

Monopolies and Mergers Commission in an unpublished report.

CGE has extended a general offer to minority holders, as required under the City's Takeover Code, at the equivalent price of 3704p. CGE says that it will buy stock at 372p, including a special interim

dividend of 1.75p. The 3704p bid price came as a sharp disappointment on the stock market, where AMI Healthcare shares were trading at 378p, after reaching 435p amid bid speculation last summer.

S G Warburg has advised those directors of AMI Healthcare who are independent of AMI Inc that the price does not fully reflect the long-term value of the business or the quality of its hospitals. The independent directors are, none

the less, recommending minority holders

to accept, on Warburg's advice that this

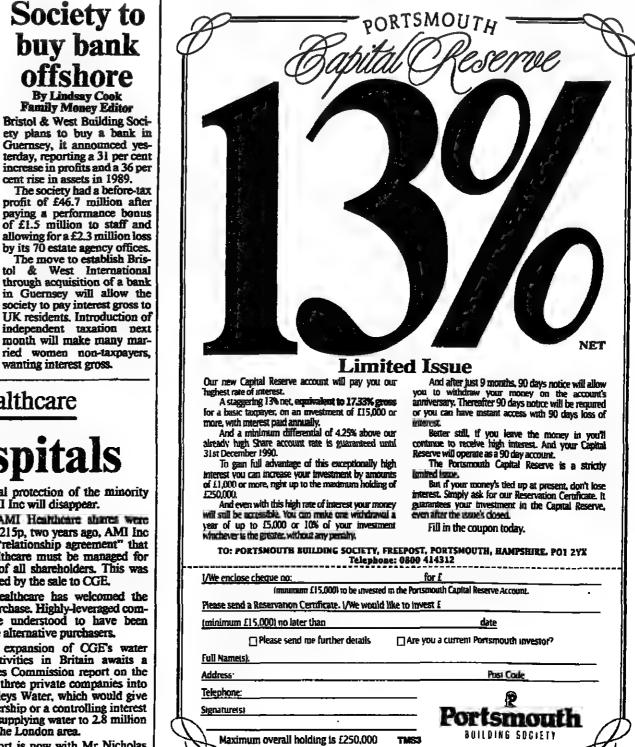
that special protection of the minority under AMI Inc will disappear.

When AMI Healthcare shares were floated at 215p, two years ago, AMI Inc signed a "relationship agreement" that AMI Healthcare must be managed for the good of all shareholders. This was extinguished by the sale to CGE.

AMI Healthcare has welcomed the French purchase. Highly-leveraged companies are understood to have been among the alternative purchasers.

Further expansion of CGE's water supply activities in Britain awaits a Monopolies Commission report on the merger of three private companies into Three Valleys Water, which would give CGE ownership or a controlling interest in groups supplying water to 2.8 million people in the London area.

The report is now with Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Trade.



WPP finds No 1 spot a lowly rating HIT to underwrite rights issue at CLK

who cannot handle the fiunderstand the creative mind.

Recent events have dem-Onstrated clearly on which side to locate Mr Martin Sorrell's previous employers, the Saatchis; Mr Sorreil's problem, after moving his WPP Group into number one Position in the industry, is to show he can steer a straight line down the middle.

WPP remains on one of the more lowly ratings in the agencies sector. A set of excellent 1989 results yesterday, with pre-tax profits rising from £40.3 million to £75.0 million on revenues up by £458 million to £1,005 million, may do little to

Ogilvy Group, acquired in June last year, contributed revenue of £324 million and pre-interest profits of £32.6 million. More significantly, margins at Ogilvy hit 10 per cent, reaching the levels achieved at the J Walter Thompson, and should rise to 12 per cent in 1990.

The market is concerned about the collapse in advertising revenues in Britain and a US downturn. WPP's answer is its spread of businesses just over half sales and profits come from media advertising - and to its low exposure to the British market, about 7.5 per cent of profits.

The main problem is that with two giant-killing ac-quisitions behind it, WPP is

the brilliant creative minds international advertising networks, and the betting is that nances and the equally bril- Mr Sorrell is not about to liant accountants who cannot break this record. But there remains some concern over its next move, as WPP's debts dwindle from the staggering to the merely huge - from \$524 million after Ogilvy to about \$450 million by the year-end.

There are suspicions that Mr Sorrell will need all his management skills to keep his creative team once the job market becomes more mobile. Pre-tax profit of about £113 million this year put the shares, up 9p at 656p, on a p/e ratio of just over 8, while the

prospective yield is about 6 per cent. Attractive, for a business with WPP's strong management, but the market may take more convincing.

Ladbroke

Ladbroke's results drew an oddly unenthusiastic response in spite of a 20 per cent increase in pre-tax profit and dividends, plus a slightly bigger rise in earnings per share. background, the shares shed Ip to 290p.

It is true that profits of £302.2 million were bang in line with City forecasts. But there is little doubt of the market's unease over the jump in gearing from 35 per cent to 59 per cent. Interest charges more than doubled from £24.2 million to £51.3 million. Some against property and a further

Prepared for further tough times: Sir David Alliance, chairman of Coats Viyella, yesterday £55 million of interest relating about performance in the to property and hotels was capitalized. Some analysts wonder also about the impact Against a buoyant market of property sales on the apparently strong performance of the Texas DIY store profits,

disaggregated. Ladbroke points out that its property operation is structured to avoid high-risk projects, and there is a feeling that gearing will return to the mid-40s in percentage terms £18.6 million was debited by the end of the current year. There can be no complaints

up £5.6 million to £40.1

million. These were not

hotels division, easily the largest profit centre last year. Profits increased from £118.9 excellent long-term buy, with million to £167.8 million. Ladbroke is still squeezing more from an increasingly million of profits this year. Ladbroke is still squeezing more from an increasingly efficient Hilton International chain, and 15 more hotels are being developed. The chain is

now 143 strong.
Property chipped in £36 million, against £32.2 million. and Ladbroke's evergreen racing operations, supplemented by Vernons Pools, made a record contribution of £91.9 million against £77.5 million.

Despite yesterday's response, the shares, at a mere 101/2 times earnings, are an

Coats Vivella

At the turn of the century, J&P Coats loomed large on also be fierce competition the stock market. Now its from Eastern Europe. successor, Coats Vivella, does not even make it into the top London, despite absorbing a major part of the UK textile remaining 70 per cent will cost industry. Unfortunately, there the thick end of £200 million.

million before tax, £2 million better than in the preceding year, but still £75 million down on 1987. Earnings per share were 1p lower at 15.1p, a third below their 1987 peak.

decline is about to be reversed.

in 1989, Coats made £137

The underlying performance was even less resilient than overall results suggest. The interest charge nearly doubled from from £12 million to £21 million and profits from "housewares" - mainly carpets - halved from £17 million to £8 million. This was offset by a tenfold rise in

exceptional income from £1.7

million to £17 million, mainly from disposals. Sir David Alliance, Coats' chairman, warns that 1990 will also be tough, which analysts interpret as unchanged profits and earnings 1p lower at 14p. That leaves the shares, up 4p at 132p, on a prospective p/e of 9. But even a yield of 9 per cent does not compensate for the indifferent

long term outlook. Although over half Coats' profits come from thread, where it has a strong position worldwide, half the thread profits arise in South America. The Multi Fibre Arrangement, which protects Coats' UK business, may not be renewed in 1992 and by then there may

To cap it all, Sir David has not lost his ambition to bid hundred companies quoted in again for Tootal when he is free to do so in June - and the

Switch to poll tax 'may lift house prices 15%'

rates of

director, said that the housing market had played a pivotal role in the boom of 1987-88 and the slowdown of 1989-90. The research shows that house prices are determined in

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

ing of Craton Lodge & Knight, the troubled product development group. HIT will underwrite a 35-for-1 rights issue which will raise £2 million for the company. HIT and the company's new management will subscribe for a further 55 million new shares, raising an additional £550,000.

The restructuring came after CLK ran into difficulties with plans to develop new products in partnership with the Soviet Union and other Eastern bloc countries. CLK's shares were suspended in October. In the year to last September, CLK made a loss before tax and extraordinary items of 1935,000.

Rothmans Ind at £8.3m tops £3m

Rothmans Industries, the Singapore associate of Rothmans International reports pre-tax profits of Sing\$26.4 million (£8.39 million) for the six months ended December, against Sing\$18.6 million. Turnover rose from Sing\$79.2 million to Sing\$95.9 million. Net earnings turn out at 15.6 cents (10.7) a share.

MTL Group

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Pre-tax profits at MTL bestruments Group, the Un-listed Securities Market maker of electronic safety and measuring devices, were ahead by 34 per cent to £3.88 million in the year to end-December, on sales up 28 per cent to £11.9 million. Earnings rose 32 per cent to 11.34p and a final of 1.4p. makes 2.4p against 2p.

FTI profit falls 30%

Pre-tax profits at Forward Technology Industries, a maker of ultrasonic cleaning to video and audio duplication equipment, fell 30 per cent to £2.27 million in the year to end-December on sales up 18.6 per cent at £42.8 million. Earnings per share are trimmed by 0.1p to 5.9p, helped by a reduced tax rate, while the final dividend is maintained at 1.2p, making an unchanged 1.8p for the year.

The drop in group profits was due to the environmental problems at the cleaning operations caused by chlorofluoro-carbons used in the ultrasonic cleaning machines, since overcome by use of aqueous and alchohol systems.

Stratagem in Jameel rules bid success

Stratagem, the investment group, has declared unconditional its £8.2 million bid for £151 million for Hartwell, Colonnade Development Capital, the investment trust managed by British & Commonwealth, A condition that Stratagem - which has 51 per cent of Colonnade — needed acceptances for 75 per cent, was dropped.

out higher bid

the Oxford motor distribstor, has ruled out any agreed higher bid if its current 155p a share offer fails. It is trying to add to its 36.6 per cent of Hartwell shares, down 1p to 155p on

Nichols rises to £8m

The long, hot summer boosted pre-tax profits at J N Nichols (Vinto), the soft drinks group, from £6.55 million to £8.15 million last year, on sales of £49.7 million, up from £39.3

Nichols made a £1.56 million pre-tax profit from disposals and had a £1.57 million post-tax debit from the fallure of Alimenta Holdings, the caterer in which it had a stake. Eas rose from 20.9p to 24p, excluding disposal profit. The year's dividend is 10p, up from 8.6p. The shares rose 2p to 240p.

Bank to buy Campbell stake

A two-year-old City firm with chief executive of Henry the money to take stakes in only 11 employees is selling a Ansbacher, Richard Lutyens, 25 per cent stake in itself for the previous head of international equities at Merrill Lynch, and Bill Dacombe, an initial £2 million cash to Mercapital, a Spanish merpreviously the chairman of Rea Brothers, the accepting Campbell Lutyens Hudson,

a corporate finance boutique founded in March 1988, is run Together they do most of by four senior City bankers. the corporate financing and They are John Campbell, a placing work although they director of Noble Grossart, David Hudson, the former 14 soon. They intend to use

some of their corporate clients and create a larger European

Mercapital, a 25 per cent offshoot of Compagnie Financière de Suez, hopes to send most of its British referrals to Campbell.

Mercapital will make further payments for its stake plan to increase their staff to depending on Campbell's profits in the next three years.

Dominion in Southwest stake sale

The administrators of Dominion International Group, the financial services business formeriy run by Mr Max Lewinsohn, have sold their stake in the once-related Southwest Resources group to various institutional clients.

The stake, amounting to 7.5

The switch from rates to poll on housing than less highly tax could add 15 per cent to rated property will gain. Mr Bill Robinson, the IFS

house prices nationally, according to research by the Institute for Fiscal Studies and the London Business School. It will also change the relative prices of houses in different areas, researchers say.

per cent, was under option to the family trusts of Mr Nigel highly-rated areas will tend to Wray and Mr Clive Mattock, who agreed to waive rights.

They say that property in highly-rated areas will tend to gain more in price terms from the switch away from taxation highly-rated areas will tend to gain more in price terms from

the medium term mainly by personal income, with interest short-term

Reebok contributes £56m as Pentland jumps 19%

Mr Stephen Rubin, chairman tax profit for 1989, up 19 per share, 26p more than Pentname craze for baseball boots and sports shoes is

Reebok contributed £56 million, about 80 per cent of

After paying £50.2 million to shareholders in a reorganizinterest receivable has disappeared and the interest charge is now £414,000. The dividend for the year is 0.6p and directors say they would an adjunct to shoes. In some have recommended a diviplaces young guys are buying a dend of 0.4p for 1988 had the new pair of Reeboks every six reorganization then been in

Reebok contributed £56 The Reebok stake, which Kickers in Britain, distributed million, about 80 per cent of has a book value of 46p a by Pentland, are expected Pentland's £71.4 million pre- share, is now worth 110p a rise 300 per cent this year.

and joint managing director of cent. Pentland sales rose from land's share price - something Pentland Group, which has a £662 million to £702 million which irks Mr Rubin. He is 32 per cent stake in Reebok, and earnings per share rose 15 conscious of the City's grow-

Mr Rubin says that since the deal with Parker Pen fell through, the group has looked at a number of potential acquisitions but prices so far have been too high. Also, it will only consider making a recommended acquisition.

shoe, should benefit the group Kickers in Britain, distributed by Pentland, are expected to

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an armlock shareholding on Elliott,

although an equal reason was that the

feared a rights issue to pay for it.

stock market didn't like the idea and

So Grand Met needs a Plan B, in case

Plan A is knocked over. This is nowhere

near so attractive, because it would be

unlikely to find another single buyer for

the breweries, largely because it has no

credible lager brands to put with them.

So they would probably go to those whose brands are brewed under licence,

with perhaps the Websters and Ruddles

making their own way in the world. And in that case, Grand Met would get even

less than the modest £400 million

oices are being raised about the modest bid by Compagnie Générale des Eaux for the 35 per cent minority of AMI Healthcare. It

valued fast-growing AMI at less than 16

times prospective earnings and was below the market price — itself down 13

per cent from the peak as the leveraged

The French group, targeting another

sector of privatized public services in

Britain, has undoubtedly pulled off

another coup while Bupa was locked in

the Monopolies and Mergers Com-

mission. Why should it offer more than

it paid for the majority stake to AMI's

Those who invested in AMI knew

they were in a minority and must accept

the consequences as another lesson in a

long line. The alternative is to stay on as

a minority to Générale, hoping for growth, or a higher bid later. Experience of Générale in the battles for private

water companies does not suggest this

would be an attractive proposition.

Eaux, what a coup

offered by Elliott.

bid boom crumbled.

cash-strapped parent?

Interest rates begin to bite into retail trade

Retailers experienced a slow- umes moderate last month, down in sales growth last but that a similar growth rate Retail Price Index peaking at gage rates. month after January's surprise is expected this month. How- about 7.5 per cent this year, spurt, providing comforting ever, it provides no enevidence for the Government couragement on prices. that its counter-inflation pol-

high interest rates are biting on higher rents, the uniform into demand is welcome news indeed for Mr John Major, the ket costs. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Retailers reported a as he seeks to gauge the state of the economy ahead of his first

Budget on March 20. The Confederation of British Industry's quarterly distributive trades survey shows following the sharp slowdown be affected will be those young that not only did annual seen in the previous quarterly growth in retailers' sales vol-

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agency group Reuters.
The bond, issued at par,

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Mucklow up

Interim profits at A J Muck-

before tax in the six months to

December, Interim dividend

CALA, the Edinburgh house-

builder, made pre-tax profits

of £3.03 million in the six

months to December, 17 per

cent lower than in 1988 in-

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but this is now likely to be set CBI economists see the icy is finally having the deGovernment facing the probsired effect on consumer lem of underlying inflation panel, said retailers were "genspending.

CDI CORONINSIS SEE LINE TURGET VILLARIZATION (CORONINSIS SEE LINE TURGET VILLARIZATIO cent, as retailers begin to pass on higher rents, the uniform ahead, as the latest mortgage business rate, and labour marrate rises start to affect

this to continue. In wholesal- consumer spending patterns ing and the motor trades there over the coming months," he said. The group most likely to people without mortgages, who have not had the burden

Then the CBI foresaw the of household rates or mort-

Seven out of 10 netailers expect no change in their a percentage point higher. Mr overall business situation in Nigel Whittaker, chairman of the coming three months. But the coming three months. But ness prospects for the months goods, confectionary, tobacco and newspapers expect some

Retailers of groceries, "The introduction of the books, stationery and durable "steady" rate of increase in community charge is an added household goods plan to inprices last month and expect uncertainty which may affect crease investment over the next 12 months.

However, Mr Whittaker said they would be focusing on improving efficiency and refurbishment, rather than

Pentos books in at £12m



Terry Maher: will continue to 'undermine support for the stupid Net Book Agreement'

up 21 per cent. Dillons opene

seven booksbops and sales grew 34 per cent. Like-for-like

sales at existing shops rose 11

Four stores are expected to

open this year — the first of those next month at the Kings Road, Chelsen — to take the

total to 52. The chain has 7 per

cent of the retail book market

ead Mr Maher has ambitions

man of Pentos, has launched his second hig incentive against the Net Book Agreement. Dillons, the Pentos bookshop chain, is promoting 50 cut-price children's books, all of which have been pub-lished outside the agreement (Gillian Bowditch writes).

Mr Maher said sales of children's books are up 100 Strike losses per cent on the same month last year as a result of the Strikes and production difficulties at SG Magnet Holdings, Wilshaw's £3.7 million promotion, which includes several Postuma Pat books and books by AA Milne, author of Winnie the Pooh. Before acquisition, could cost Wikhaw at least £800,000 in lost profits this year. Christmas, Dillous promoted eight cut-price titles including Millers Antique Price Guide Drop in beer Beer production in February

Pentos, which includes the

Mr Terry Maher, the chair- Ryman, the office supply shops, made pre-tax profits of £12.5 million in 1989, up 14 per cent on last time. Sales

including franchisees, were up 25 per cent, with British sales rose 19 per cent to £143.2 million and carmings per share up 23 per cent, with like-for-like sales up 9 per cent. The nine loss-making US Athena were up 10 per cent at 9.7p. The anamal dividend is up 22 shops are likely to be closed this year. per cent at 2.2n. Specialist retailing contributed £9.7 million, up 20 per cent on sales of £110.1 million,

Ryman saw its profits fall below the £2 million achieved in 1988, with sales stavision saw profits rise 33 per cent to £5.2 million on sales up 20 per cent at £33.1 million.

Mr Maker said Pentos was conficulty to "undermine support for the stapid Net Book. Agreement." However, he said he would not break the law. He said he has had letters of support from many publish

Partners at JLP

see fall in payout

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

Touther times in department store and grocery retailing has cut profits at the John Lewis Partnership and clipped the bonus of its worker "partners" from last year's level of 22 per cent of salary to 17 per cent.

Partners on average pay will receive a bonus this year of £1,530, against last year's The Partnership, whose

chairman is Mr Peter Lewis, is run for the benefit of its 32,000 worker members who, as well as sharing profits, have their own elected representatives infinencing the affairs of the partnership.

Group sales for the year

ended last January exceeded £2 billion for the first time, a 7

Pre-tax, profits at £110 million were 16 per cent down on annual comparison, with the partners sharing a bonus payout of £41.2 million. The Partnership has 23 department stores around

Britain, with a new one due to open this year at Kingston, Surrey, together with an en-larged and relocated Trewins of Watford store.

The Partnership also operates 88 Waitrose grocery supermarkets in the Midlands and the South with six supermarkets in the pipeline. A city centre department store is planned for Glasgow in 1993. Many sections of the retail

trade had faced the worst sales conditions for years, said Mr He gave a warning that an

improvement this year was unlikely unless interest rates

It was in the department stores that the Partnership felt the worst of the tougher retailing conditions especially in goods related to the housing market. Sales in the stores rose only 4 per cent in value which meant that in volume terms the stores probably saw a slight drop on the previous year. Waitrose sales were up 9

Last year's outturn would have been worse but for the halving to £9 million of annual contributions to the Partnership pension fund

There were some exceptional costs, notably through moving the London headquarters to Victoria Street and making distribution centre changes. The distribution changes did mean one site was sold off with the profit of £18.6 million being treated as an extraordinary item.

COMMENT David Brewerton

A cloudy pint served to Sir Gordon Borrie

he curious partnership of John which is one of the reasons it chose not Elliott and Allen Sheppard, to fan the embers of the OFT by putting respectively chairmen of Elders IXL and Grand Metropolitan, has thrown down the gauntlet to the brewers' least favourite bureaucrat. Sir Gordon Borrie of the Office of Fair Trading. It was Sir Gordon who kicked Elders' bid for Scottish & Newcastle Breweries into touch, and it was the Monopolies and Mergers Commission that ruled that further consolidation of British brewing capacity was not in the public interest.

Now Elders and Grand Met are putting forward another brewing merger, which is remarkably similar in its potential market shares to that ruled offside by the MMC. Elders' Courage breweries plus Scottish & Newcastle's various brewhouses would have commanded about 20 per cent of the market. If Courage is now to take over Grand Met's beer factories, then Mr Elliott's flagship, suitably re-named Foster's Brewing Group, would control about 22 per cent of British brewing. He will have acquired by stealth what he was prevented from buying when Elders had

It is possible that Sir Gordon will take the very reasonable line that the second MMC report, published on the same day the Courage/Scottish & Newcastle bid was sunk, and the subsequent comings and goings between the brewers and the then trade secretary Lord Young, changed the groundrules. With brewing being eased away (slightly) from pub ownership, he may see a case for a second brewing group to keep Bass, the undisputed market leader, under control. It is also possible that the plan to combine the two groups' pubs will be similarly waved through. It is also possible, but equally unlikely, that one of Whitbread's drayhorses will sprout wings and fly to heaven.

Grand Met is obviously nervous, Brierley's tasty morsel for City

way he knows best. By repackaging

Vickers into a more palatable morsel for

the City, he would undoubtedly do so,

but only in the short run. Like Jaguar,

Rolls-Royce cars if separately-quoted

would directly reflect the uniqueness of

proposals stand little chance of success.

Most of Vickers' shareholders are

institutions of the old school, prepared

to back existing management until a

Nonetheless, shareholders should examine the situation carefully. BAT

complained for years that its share price

did not reflect the quality of its

final offer hits the table.

But even Sir Ron might admit that his

ns brand.

adventurer like Sir James Goldsmith to The stormy relationship between Vickers and its major shareholder jump start the group into a demerger. is a textbook clash of corporate To a man the City threw up its hands in horror at Sir James' junk-financed cultures. Sir Ron Brierley is attempting to enhance a company's value in the break-up plan. But they eventually

accepted the logic of its arithmetic. An independent Rolls-Royce car company would face cash-flow problems not experienced by BAT's off-spring, Argos and Wiggins Teape/Appleton. The cost of developing a new motor model is becoming so prohibitive that Rolls may need a parent company simply to provide long-term

Sir Ron argues that the equity market would provide this if the investment was sound. If not, the company would fit better with Ford or General Motors than in Vickers mélange of engineering interests. But for Vickers, the rump without Rolls looks nothing like so component businesses. It took an robust as BAT less its own disposals.

dropped 2.6 per cent com-Athena poster shops and pared with last year. of for £5m loss this year

Trust, the engineering and film camera group whose shares were suspended last May, are making annual profits of between £9 million and £10 million a year, Mr David

James, the chairman, said. But interest charges on the holding company's £55 million everdraft, run up two years ago, mean that the group will still report a loss of £5

million in 1990, he said. Mr James, who was ap-pointed last September, said that the board was not seeking a relisting of the shares.

The delayed 1988 accounts were published yesterday. Mr James that it was the board's "strongly held view" that the 1987 accounts were wrong. Shareholders' funds for December 1987 have been restated at £37.8 million, £17 million less than the figure originally published.

Eagle went on to make pre-tax profits of £5.5 million in 1988, before non-recurring losses of £54.5 million.

Eagle Trust prepared | ADT raises holding in Christie's to 10.66%

ADT, the security and suction services group run by Mr Michael Ashcroft from Bermuda, yesterday raised its shareholding in Christie's International, the auction house, to 10.6 per cent from 9.55 per cent. Christie's shares jumped 16p to 336p, near their all-time high.

Yesterday, ADT revealed that income for the year to end-December was 33 per cent higher at \$290.4 million. Fully-diluted earnings per share were raised 14 per cent

capitalize some of its reserves with a two for 47 issue of shares which will take effect from April 17. A cash alternative of 18 cents a share will be offered, a rise of 20 per cent on the previous payout.

Mr Ashcroft, the ADT chairman and president, said "The planned disposals of lower-margin, labour-intensive businesses has finished allowing management to concentrate on the further development of ADT.

Eight empty chairs

Old gradges clearly die hard in the Square Mile and when 45 one-time partners of Wedd Durlacher gathered together for a high-spirited reunion at the Cayalry and Guards Club on Wednesday, eight were noticeable by their absence. The famed "Kleinwort eight," who in July 1985, led by Charfie Hue-Williams, left to join Kleinwort Benson - halfway through Wodd's engagement to Barclays and de Zoete and Bevan - were, I'm told, not invited. Of the 45 who were there - an estimated 10 still with BZW - only five were said to be other than millionaires, and most are now, consequently, enjoying a life of leisure in some considerable style. "I hunt four days a week," quipped Peter Lister to my informant. Putting their efforts to rather more remunerative causes are Nigel Bassett, who now runs an antique shop in Petworth, Ian Stewart-Brown, once head of the gilt trading and now the proud owner of a public house tear the Isle of Dogs, and Michael O'Brien, who appar-

Paul's aboard

in its gun department.

ently works for Christie's,

aluing and advising on sales

Paul Chertkow, former MD and chief international economist at Drexel Burnham Lambert, has been signed up by Citibank as its chief currency strategist, from March 15. Canadian-born Chertkow,

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Microgen rubs it in

of my distant acquaintance, tucked away a large number of Microgen shares into their personal investment portfolios last year at 240p a piece. They had, they tell me, been acting on a supposedly "hot tip." But after a bad set of figures and a fraud investigation, shares in the computer services bureau have since more or less halved

appointed shareholders conequently found the words inscribed on the front cover of the company's annual report, just published, particularly ant. They read: "In life what lets you down is not what you know or what you don't know — it's what you think you know that isn't so." Sadly,

alongside John Atkin, Citispokesman on economic cur-

Sickly-sweet smell of success

ing volumes currently being endured in the stock market, the air conditioning systems on trading floors could soon be used to circulate repugnant smells — in a last-ditch attempt to get salesmen to use more aggressive tactics with their clients. Dr Steven Van Toller has been leading a team of researchers into the effect different smells have on stress levels and he concludes, conversely, that, "happy odours

Govert before joining DBL a Rock bottom year ago, will be working

The Queen's popularity in bank's chief economic ad- New Zealand is clearly on the viser, with a brief to "provide wane. The white chair, which a dedicated service for cus- she used during the closing tomers requiring advice and ceremony of the Commoncounselling on currency expo-wealth Games, has just been sure and currency move- auctioned along with 5,000 ments." He will also be the other items of memorabilia of bank's principal European the event. It raised just £29.50 less than a quarter of the chair's value before use.

Given the painfully low trad- them less aggressive." He proposes that crushed commaters on the Underground would benefit from a whiff of salty sea sir - to make them think about holidays. "Happy odours could be ventilated into some carriages with others left as they are," says Van Toller. The differences could then be studied." Clearly taking the findings seriously are scientists at Warwick University who are now using this odos technique to attempt to help with Security Pacific Hoare calm people down and make claustrophobia sufferers.

Still on, by a whisker

Dennis Elliott, the head of

sales at UBS Phillips & Drew, is under mounting pressure to shave off his moustache. It is not because of any cleanshaven rule that has been introduced by the firm's Swiss parent, but to follow several of his colleagues and raise money for charity. "I am not going to shave mine off," he told me steadfastly, after revealing that two of his men in the equities department, director Philip Elliman, and assistant director Steve Vowles, had ceremoniously had their moustache and beard respectively - removed at a barber's shop in Moorgate,

thereby raising more than £1,800 for multiple sclerosis. There are a lot of other people on the trading floor with either moustaches or beards - at the moment - and I think the price of facial hair is now being bid up," Elliott adds, clearly trying to deflect attention from himself. "It does feel a bit strange, I've had a moustache for 20 years," Elliman admits, before confirming that attention was now being focused on hairyfaced colleagues. "Wayne Grossman, who has a moustache, was offered £° 10 to go into the barber's wint us but he backed out, saying he would have to talk to his wife first." As for Elliott — already renowned for charitable marathon running — another colleague, when pushed.

would want to chip in as well." Carol Leonard

concluded: "You'd have be be

talking about at least £5,000 if

he did it, because clients

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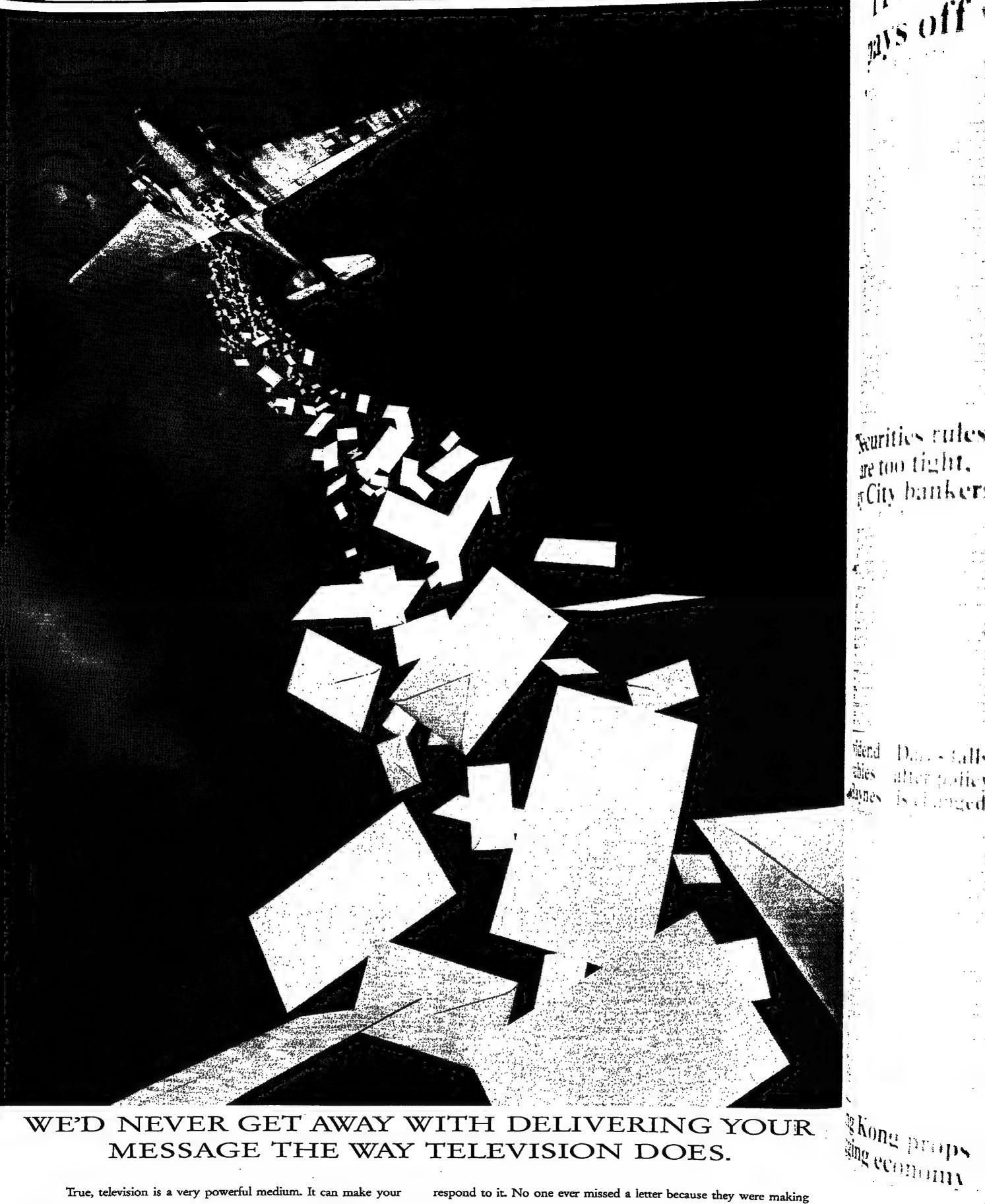
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TI's first phase of new look | Slight rise at Cussins pays off with 31% profit rise

up 31 per cent on 1988. Ti shares, which opened at 438p, jumped 20p on the news.

In the four years since Mr Christopher Lewinton, chief £959 million to £927 million. executive, took charge, TI has been transformed. Out have boosted by a £6.7 million penike Raleigh, Glow Worm and Creda to be replaced with sion schemes. Without the John Crane and Bundy in the United States and Thermal Scientific in Britain.

Scientific in Britain.

minute Simulation believes the Earnings per share rose by Mr Lewinton believes the 29 per cent to 49.0p, while the first phase of the strategy embarked on four years ago is complete. Basically we have completed that phase. When we started on it we had £85 million of debt on the balance

sheet. Now we have got cash."
The figures show that TI has net cash of £45.3 million compared with borrowings of £40.7 million at the end of 1988. But Mr Lewinton feels under no pressure to rush into a big acquisition and is ased that most of the improvement in profit came

from organic growth.
"I do not feel any sense of

The decision to concentrate issue, at the right price." on specialist engineering is However, he acknowledged paying off for TI Group. It has that the arrival last October of reported higher-than-expected Mr Sidney Taylor, as manag-pre-tax profits of £111.5 miling director, is leaving him lion in the year to December, more time to review "strategic opportunities."

The improvement in profits was achieved despite a reduction in turnover, down from

e familiar brand names sion credit, a result of surpluses in the company's pen-

> final dividend of 11.75p (8.75p), taking the total to 17.5p (13.5p), an increase of 30 per cent. Operating margins improved from 9.3 per cent to 11.4 per cent.
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> Last September TI announ-

ced a "strategic alliance" with man group, which acquired a 5 per cent stake in Tl. This alliance is working well, says Mr Lewinton, with three joint marketing projects under way.
The two are establishing a management learn under the Mannesmann name to develop opportunities in eastern rgency to have to do some-ing: The opportunity is the also being considered.



Engineering a transformation at TI Group: Christopher Lewiston, chief executive, yesterday

Property Buoyant house sales in the

North helped Cussins Property Group, the residential and commercial developer, to trading profits of £4.2 million, up 53 per cent. But pre-tax profits in the year to December were £2.75 million, only

marginally ahead The final dividend is 5.5p 5.1p) giving a total of 9.25p, 12 per cent up on 1988.

Profits down

Microvitec, the dealing-room screen supplier, has suffered a £488,000 drop in pre-tax profits to £1.27 million for the year to end-December and has cut its final dividend 25 per cent to 0.75p leaving the total at 1.5p (1.75p). Turnover increased to £32.1 million (£26.3

Ben Bailey up

Ben Bailey Construction, the Yorkshire housebuilder, increased interim pre-tax profits 47 per cent to £1.05 million for the six months to December. The dividend stays at 0.5p on earnings per share of 6.59p,

Ibex downturn

Pre-tax profits at Ibex Holdings, the Birmingham recruitment agency, fell to £1.9 million (£2 million) in the year to December. A final dividend of 1.9p makes 3.8p compared to a nil payment last time. Earnings per share 10.63p(11.26p).

Airbus predicts 5,500 more craft in next 20 years

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

Airlines are expected to add the increased demand for the another 5,500 aircraft to their new jets, but says: "In the fleets over the next 20 years to absence of any significant meet the predicted demand change in current adminfor air travel. But, unless they are able to land and be ists that future air traffic will guaranteed a slot along the air encounter some sort of self-routes the new aircraft could limitation which could reduce become wasting assets.

In Market perspectives for civil iet aircraft, a survey of the future demand for air travel. Airbus Industrie predicts that 24 airports in Europe and 59 in North America will be forced to halt further growth by the turn of the century and says that there is now only room for "marginal opportunities for future growth in flight frequency."

The report — which matches a similar survey by Boeing this week - says that a continued growth in the world economy, together with a steady fall in air fares and a move towards more than one boliday a year, will lead to a steady increase in demand of about 5.5 per cent a year. Some of this will be covered by an increase in the size of aircraft leading to a rise of about 3 per cent a year in the aircraft being flown.

Airbus - which has nearly 1,000 firm orders for aircraft to be delivered over the next six years - claims that manufacturers will be able to meet

istrative policies, the risk exlimitation which could reduce the forecast traffic growth by

one percentage point a year." The problem is not confined to Europe and America. "The Australia are not enough to accommodate the forecast

traffic growth in that region." The Airbus forecast has not been able to take into account the demand for travel to Eastern Europe or the rush by airlines from those countries to buy equipment from the West.

Even so, it claims that many people may be forced to switch to trains for short journeys and that scheduled flights may take over from charter operations for the growing number of leisure passengers. By the turn of the century about 80 per cent of ell travellers will fly on leisure or holiday and not because of business, it says.

Airlines are likely to order more than 12,000 jets worth \$700 billion over the next 20 years of which just under half will be replacement aurcraft.

Securities rules are too tight, say City bankers

Mere than two-turus of the City's senior bankers believe the greent accurates regulations; are too tight, while almost half of Europe's bankers think that regulators are ble to keep pace with ancial innovation.

A sew survey by Price Waterhouse of more than 130 of Europe's top financial in-stitutions and their attitudes to the new regulatory environ-ment, has shown the depth of feeling against The Financial

Almost a third of the bankers interviewed said they felt the regime was unneces constraining, compared with an average of 12 per cent in

By contrast on the Conti-nent 22 per cent of managers on the Comment.

fore than two-thirds of the thought rules were too lax compared with only 4 per cent.

Britain, however, won top marks for opening its financial replies thought its efforts were poor, compared with 25 per cent in West Germany and 82 per cent in Japan.

PW's survey also showed that almost half the managers are worried that regulators are falling behind with financial innovations, and risk manage-

ment products in particular. They are also concerned about the level of knowledge about the new BC rules. Forty per cent thought staff awareness of the new laws was deficient, against 29 per cent

doubles at Baynes

By Philip Pangalos

A combination of strong orgame growth and acquisitions at Charles Baynes, the specialist engineering and distribu-tion group, resulted in pre-tax profits surging from £1.68 million to £4.1 million in the year to end-December.

Earnings per share rose by 67 per cent to 3.06p. The final dividend is up to 0.75p (0.50p), making a doubled total of 1p for the year.

Mr John Perkins, the fi-nance director, said last April's £10 million acquisitions of Harris & Edgar and Heath Packaging Group gave a £1.1 million boost to pre-tax profits while adding about £14 million to group sales. Group turnover advanced by 82.7 per cent to £40.9 million.

H&H and Heathpac have annual sales of about £2!

Mr Bruce McInnes, the chairman, said the company had started the year with record order books and a highly satisfactory perfor-mance is expected in 1990. The shares firmed by 2p to

Dividend | Dares falls after policy is changed

By Our City Staff

Turnover at Dares Estates, the former property trading com-pany, plummeted from £78.6 million in 1988 to £20.4 million in the year to December, following the board's decision to concentrate on investing in property rather than selling it.

As a result of the switch in emphasis, net assets per share grew from 30.3p to 42.4p a share. The shares closed unchanged at 23p, on a discount to assets of 46 per cent.

Interest charges rose by 31 per cent to £4.2 million but were well covered by a 57 per cent increase in rental income to £7.2 million. Together with a £621,000

loss sustained on a West End commercial investment held jointly with Shaftsbury and £668,000 of losses on residential joint developments, the increased interest charge reduced pre-tax profits to £9.1 million - down 27 per cent.

A final dividend unchanged at lp a share takes the total distribution to 1.5p a share (1.3p). Shareholders' funds rose 31 per cent to £108.7

Hong Kong props flagging economy

posed sweeping tax increases on dutiable goods to keep the budget in surplus.

He predicted a fiscal surplus of HK\$720 million (£56.2 million) for 1990-1991, against HK\$9.3 billion this year and a record HK\$16.8 billion in 1988-89.

The sharp decline is a result slowdown, a rise in Government spending and falling export revenues.

Sir Piers expected the economy to expand at a rate of 3 per cent in the coming year, gainst this year's 2.5 per cent but a far cry from double-digit browth in the mid-1980s.

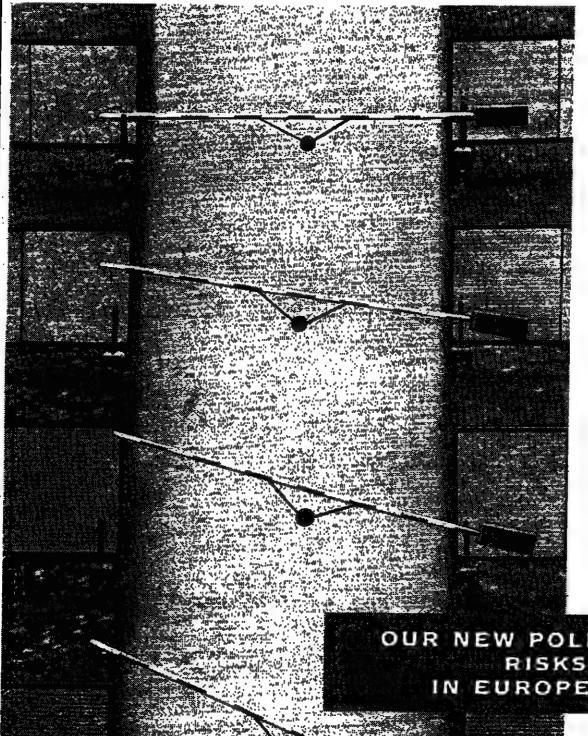
Domestic exports are exected to rise by 2.5 per cent in biggest market -

Sir Pier Jacobs, Hong Kong's should improve after two Financial Secretary, has pro- years of decline. Sales to Britain, however, may suffer.

Re-exports, contributing the bulk of Hong Kong's trade revenues, are forecast to grow by 8 per cent against 19 per cent this year mainly because of a weakened market in China, the crown colony's largest trade partner.

A visible trade surplus of of Hong Kong's economic HK\$6.5 billion is forecast, although the growth rate for imports, at 6.4 per cent, will be higher than that for total exports, at 5.7 per cent.

Inflation, which reached 10 per cent in 1989, is expected to fall to 8.5 per cent, and despite strong pressure on costs, reserves are set to reach HK71 billion by the end of 1990-91. But Sir Piers has no plans to the coming year, and trade cut personal or corporate taxes with the United States - Hong or drastically boost capital



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Steel sector on its own as crisis ends, says EC

The great steel crisis in Europe million in 1988. And more competitors to remove state insists the steel industry is over — and that is official than 21 billion European cur- aid and tariff burners. The European Commission rency units (£13.8 billion) announced this week that five were invested between 1982 years of drastic slimming and and 1988, with the steel modernization had produced healthy steel industry throughout the European Community, which could now

face the full blast of world Steel production is on line to rise by 5 per cent between 1988 and 1995, and a healthy economic climate will keep demand buoyant. The Commission believes that steel companies no longer need government protection, and lecisions on investment and capacity must be made by the

The restructuring in the industry — which involved painful retractions and closures in many countries — has cut the total number of jobs from 870,000 in 1975 to capacity dropped from 194.5 level playing field in the steel million tonnes in 1980 to 165 market. It will also press other

industries in the 12 EC mations receiving about 40 bil-lion Ecus in state aid between

1980 and 1988. The Commission study is part of a long-term review of the sector, and EC industry ministers will be asked at their meeting in May to approve moves to deregulate the steel industry and allow it to stand on its own feet.

Brussels wants a much stricter policy on state aid, and says steel companies should no longer be able to count on assistance for market organization at a time of economic stability.

In return, however, the Commission will fight hard at the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks to establish a

According to the rates of environment and fight against economic growth, Brussels pollution. This must be taken sees two scenarios for steel things go well, production will rise from 137 million tonnes

in 1988 to 143.3 million in 1995, with a capacity utilization rate of 74.7 per cent. The less optimistic picture gives a total output of 138.3 million tonnes, 74.4 per cent of maxi-

production techniques, how-ever, have meant that a plant can be profitable running at only 70 per cent capacity, against 80 per cent previously, the study says. Demand will probably rise by about 3 per cent to 114.7 million tonnes in 1995, against 111.7 million in 1988. But there may be a slight dip to about 110.7 million in 1992. Nevertheless, the EC will remain the world's second

should do more to protect the into account when new invest-

gests the European Coal and Steel Community's traditional spending on the social costs of laying off workers should be more broadly interpreted: money should also be spent on ing new workers. Meanwhile, EC members

have finally agreed a com-promise on the rate of liberalization on imports of steel products for this year. The rate of increase in quotas was fixed at 15 per cent. The Commission is to nego tiate the renewal of arrange-

ments with Brazil and five East European exporters. It will also hold consultations European Free Trade Associlargest steel producer. ation — Austria, i For the first time, Brussels way and Sweden

Buoyant demand lifts UES to £67m

turing industry, has brought in the best year of the last decade pre-tax profits 27.7 per cent about at £67.3 million on sales up 19 per cent at £814 million. the automotive, oil-related and

UES, jointly owned by Brit-ish Steel and GKN, and based and on the Continent. in Yorkshire, enjoyed a 44 per cent rise in its 1988 pre-tax

for engineering steels, with demand at peak levels from ce markets in Britain

tonnes of steel products last . States." A decline co year, up 6 per cent, with Demand continued at a exports up to 33 per cent of uing high interest rates, he paying a dividend next year.

anticipated, said Mr Ian Don-Pesnington, the chief exec-ald, the UES chairman. It was stive. However, Mr Danald gave warning that the 1989 demand might prove "a tem-

> some sectors of the home mers reacted to contin-25 CBS

said, stressing that excess-capacity still remained within UES and in Europe generally, But he added: "More can be

with output per employee in the main steel divisions up 9

done internally to offset these

UES is expected to start

Saab looks to tradition as US 'car wars' intensify

Saab Automobile, the 50-50 oint venture between General Motors of America with management control and Saab-Scania of Sweden, is still being badly hit by the US "car wars" with both domestic manufacturers and importers said to be losing money.

From a peak 48,000 annual sales two years ago, Saab in the US has come back to 31,000, a drop of just over 35 per cent. Losses in cars in 1989 halved Saab-Scania's group

But Mr David Herman, the General Motors executive, who is now chief executive officer of Saab Automobile, created last December, believes the Saab car operation should be back in profit by the final weeks of next year.

He does not underestimate the fierceness of the US car wars and believes there could be another year or more of such competition. But he is counting on substantial prodnctivity gains, -as much as 20 per cent - at Saab's plants as planned workforce reductions

Big gains are also expected through the adding of General Motors' buying power for materials and components.

Seab sales are also going well elsewhere with European running at 100,000 units a continue

Mr Herman said: "We ab- pean car producers exporting

On road to profit: David Herman, Sanb Automobile president solutely must preserve the to the US. Two years ago Saab profited from SwKr9.2 to the in the US. That means making dollar while now it is SwKr

sure we remain competitive. This could involve spending more on promotion or raising discounts. It also means developing its dealership chain - which remains a Saab operation - that is strongest in the North East of the US but weak in the South and West.

Mr Bob Sinclair, president of Saab-Scania US, describes the US car sales scene as totals outside Scandinavia up horrendous. He said: "The US by 5 per cent and Britain at a industry has spent in direct record. Mr Herman also be- cash incentives about \$11 lieves markets like France and billion plus new car advertis-Germany are in their infancy ing of \$6 billion. You can buy But Saab is 30 per cent small Third World untions for reliant on the US as an outlet that kind of money. It is sheer for its production which is madness and cannot

year against a possible capac-ity of 180,000 units.

Adverse currency move-ments have hit all the Euro-

Sash's sales plunge in the US appears to have been compounded by its attempt with the Saab 9000 to produce a mainstream car in looks unlike its older smblemate, the 900. Saab fans have long regarded the 900 as the last 'real" Saab even though inside the 9000 still spells Saab,

especially its sporty handling Now Mr Bob Eaton, presi dent of General Motors the GM deal with Saab-Scania to create Saab Automobile, has launched a new slogan: "It's not a Saab unless it looks like a Saab." Hence design will may exclusively with Saab's own engineering team to enHK banks hit by turmoil in China

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From Lule YE, Hong Kone

Hong Kong's banks have been feeling the effects of an economic downturn caused by the political turmoil in China The Hang Seng Bank, the second largest quoted bank, reported an 18.5 per cent rise in profits to HK\$1.82 billion (£141 million) after tax and

transfer to the secret reserve. The increase was slightly lower than expected and foreshadows a similar growth rate for the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp. its blue-chip parent, which announces its 1989 results next week,

Wardley, the Hongkong Bank's merchant banking arm, also showed lower than forecast net profits, which rose 10 per cent to HK\$520 million from NK\$473 million in 1988. Mr Bernard Asher, Wardley's chief executive, said he

was encouraged by the results. "This time last year we were concerned that it would not be possible to maintain our strong performance, but in the event 1989 was another record Amid rising costs, a severe

brain-drain and uncertainties surrounding Hong Kong's rehave been fears that banks would enter a difficult period, While giving their thumbs up to the Hongkong Bank, with its diversified asset base overseas, most analysts are revising downward their profit forecasts for smaller banks.

Hang Seng's group assets were HK\$175.5 billion at the end of December, compared with HK\$130 billion. Earnings per share rose 19 per cent to HK\$2.21 and the total dividend is HK\$1.20.



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Warner conflict threatens Pathé deal with MGM

Communications Corp's for the US and Canadian agreement to acquire theatrical and video market-MGM/UA Communications, the Hollywood film studio, may face a serious obstacle a theatrical distribution deal,

Pathé and MGM have entered a five-year agreement under which MGM would distribute Pathé Entertainment films in the US.

However, Warner Bros studio, part of Time Warner, said it had a prior distribution agreement with Pathe

Asked about the deal be-Mr Rob Friedman, a spokes-Warner, which said: "Several reement on a distribution

place. The key executives of that agreement on several occasions and have all been actively engaged in the process ing of their first films. Mr Friedman said he was

not aware of any legal action taken on the distribution deal with Pathé. Pathé declined to comment

on its relationship with Warner.

Mr Mark Manson, an analyst with Donaldson, Lufkin,

Woodchester plans European growth

Woodchester Investments, the Ir£270 million. A final divi-Irish leasing group, is planning wide expansion in Europe with Credit Lyonnais its new 29.8 per cent shareholder. It hopes to have operations in at least five continental coun-

Mr Craig McKinney, chair-man of Woodchester is believed to be discussing ways of using Lyonnais' banking network to sell its leasing packges. The French bank bought

tax profit for the 1989 up per cent to In£26.4 million (£25.1 million) while gross

dend of Irl.50p, up from Irl.13Ip, makes ir2.50p, up w

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BANK OF SCOTLANI

Bank of Scotland announces the following changes in interest rates with effect from 9th March 1990:

Home Loan Rate

15.50% per annum

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15.70%

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Bears are on the run again as CBI's survey shows slowdown in spending

Despite a dull overnight January's unexpectedly sharp quire its Watney Mana & rise. The FT-SE 100 Index Truman brewing interests. ended a little below its best Both companies intend to levels of the day after another subdued start to trading in high at one stage. The FT in Elders.
Index of top 30 shares rose The re-17.4 to 1,774.4, with turnover swelling to 436.7 million shares. Dealers are hoping for the appearance of a few new buyers today before the Budget account starts on Monday.

gains of £1/2 to close virtually Among leaders, Racal Electrenics fell 8p to 214p and Racal Telecom 10p to 373p, overnight in New York and a Aitken, the stockbroker, BET

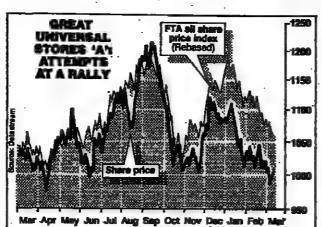
Government securities lost

run, with the appearance of a of presentations for fund manfew selective buyers proving agers in Edinburgh. Dealers enough to squeeze share prices 'say the shares are looking

Grand Metropolitan rose performance on Wall Street, 11p to 560p as Elders IXL, the the London equity market Australian brewer, announced made a confident start, helped further details of its planned by the latest Confederation of restructuring. Elders is to sell-British Industry survey show- off its non-brewing interests ing a slowdown in spending in and said it is close to agreethe shops in the wake of ment with GrandMet to accombine their pubs in a joint venture. Dealers were cheered New York. It rose 19.7 points by the news that GrandMet to 2,250.0 having been 24.4 will not be taking a share stake

The rest of the brewers enjoyed another early burst, excited by the news that Carlsberg, the Danish brewer, is in talks with at least three or them to buy a brewery. But the excitement soon waned, with Allied-Lyons losing 3p to 430p, Bass 1p to 925p, Scettish & Newcastle 3p to 297p and Whithread 'A' 2p to 377p.
Only Greenall Whitley made headway, with a rise of 8p to

profits downgrading in Telecom. STC rose 9p to 264p boosted by a "buy" recombighter at 580p. One seller mendation from Kitcat & unloaded a parcel of 4.5 million shares on the market



which were quickly placed with institutional clients of Hoare Govett, the stockbroker, at 580p.

tually prove to be a cheap way into Reuters. The Daily Mail Reuters, the international Trust was unchanged at £58. Vickers jumped 17p to 214p news agency and financial

Next rose Ip to 104p, with the City still warried about group prospects. On Monday, brokers will visit Grattans' £45 million mail order warehouse in Yorkshire. Sears holds 1.5 per cent of Next and the market hopes it will launch a bid. Sears wants to merge Grattans with Freemans, its own sail order business. information group, fell 10p to on news of proposals from IEP £10.35. The Daily Mail Trust Securities — headed by Sir has issued a £70 million Ron Brierley, the New Zea-

Eurosterling convertible bond. The bond bears a coupon of 8.75 per cent and will be convertible into ordinary shares of Reuters. In-stitutions subscribing for the rejected the proposals.

proposals are accepted by shareholders. Under the present terms, the Rolls-Royce name reverts back to Rolls-Royce PLC, the acro-engine group, in the event of Vickers being bought by an overseas company. A demerger would leave the way clear for Sir Ron to make an offer. IEP owns 18 per cent of

Meanwhile, Sir Ron has been increasing his holding in another defence company, United Scientific. He has raised his stake to 5.55 million shares, or 10 per cent. He previously held 9 per cent.

Great Universal Stores ex-tended Wednesday's 10p lead with a rise of 14p to £10.07. On Wednesday, the group made one of its rare visits to the City to give a presentation to almost 20 fund managers and seems to have succeeded in allaying some of their fears. This week, GUS suffered a

setback when County Nat-West Woodmac, a rival broker, decided to reduce its profit estimate for the current year by £10 million to £395 million and for 1991 by £40 million to £400 million. It order side, which it said were

bid for Vickers if the demerger downgrading may have been a proposals are accepted by little excessive and are still looking for profits of more than C400 million.

> GUS is continuing to buy back its own shares with the asset value standing at £10.60. Shares of Body Shop contin-ned to fluctuate wildly, rising

turnover of Assia shares as the price firmed 1/2p to 109p with more than 8 million shares traded. Brokers reported a line of 3.3 million in the market with 2.5 million placed almost immediately followed by a parcel of 600,000. On Wednesday, the Belzburg fam-ily revealed they had reduced their holding by 2 million shares to 64 million, or 4.99 per cent. Hopes had been high that the Belzburgs would launch a full bid and are now

sitting on a large trading. Thatock Johnson, the quality brickmaker, advanced 3p to 129p. Swiss Bank Corp has reckoned to have a large order still uncompleted. The group has been the subject of several bid approaches in the past and Bowater, up 4p at 438p, holds

Michael Clark

Drivers 'in outcry over Farmers'

From Philip Robinson, Los Augeles

California Justice Department investigators said yesterday that they had been swamped with consumer complaints against BAT Industries' Farmers insurance group in a case that could cost the industry

action against Farmers last Friday, accusing it of discriminating against good drivers, and called for motorists who felt unfairly treated by the insurer to come forward.

Mr Frederic Woocher, the lawyer in charge of the case against Farmers alleging it has been overcharging some pol-icyholders, said: "We've been swamped. We've had over 100 complaints in two days and

that's just on one of the four into a subsidiary called Mid- The Attorney General is seekphones we are manning. They . Century, which does offer new have come from both north and south California and we now have evaluate them."

He said that the department was preparing to take Farmers to court within the month to prevent it withholding discounts to which good drivers are entitled by state law. Mr John Van de Kamp, the

issue said it could offer a

better return and could even-

includes the demerger of

Rolls-Royce, to be put before shareholders at the next an-

Californian Attorney General, said that since last November every insurance company has been required to sell insurance to good drivers at 20 per cent below regular rates.

He said: "Farmers has attempted to make a mockery of the law, either by shunting some good driver applications Farm and Allmate Insurance.

policies but only at outrageous prices, or by outright refusii

But Mr Jeff Beyer, spokesman for Farmers, said: "We have not broken the law. By a court order made in January, we were told to prepare our tions in effect prior to October 1989, and that does not include offering the good driver discount. We are obeying the last order we were given."

According to Justice Department lawyers, the action is the first of a number against Californian insurers. Also under investigation are State

ing fines of \$2,500 on each proved, insurance executives say, the actions could cost the industry millions of dollars.

In Oregon, Farmers is fighting the fourth of nine rounds of the battle to stave off a takeover attack from Sir lames Goldsmith's Hoylake Investments and the subsequent purchase of Farmers by Axa Midi Assurances, the French financial group, for

insurance regulators in only one of nine American states that Hoylake and Axa's proposal would harm its policy-

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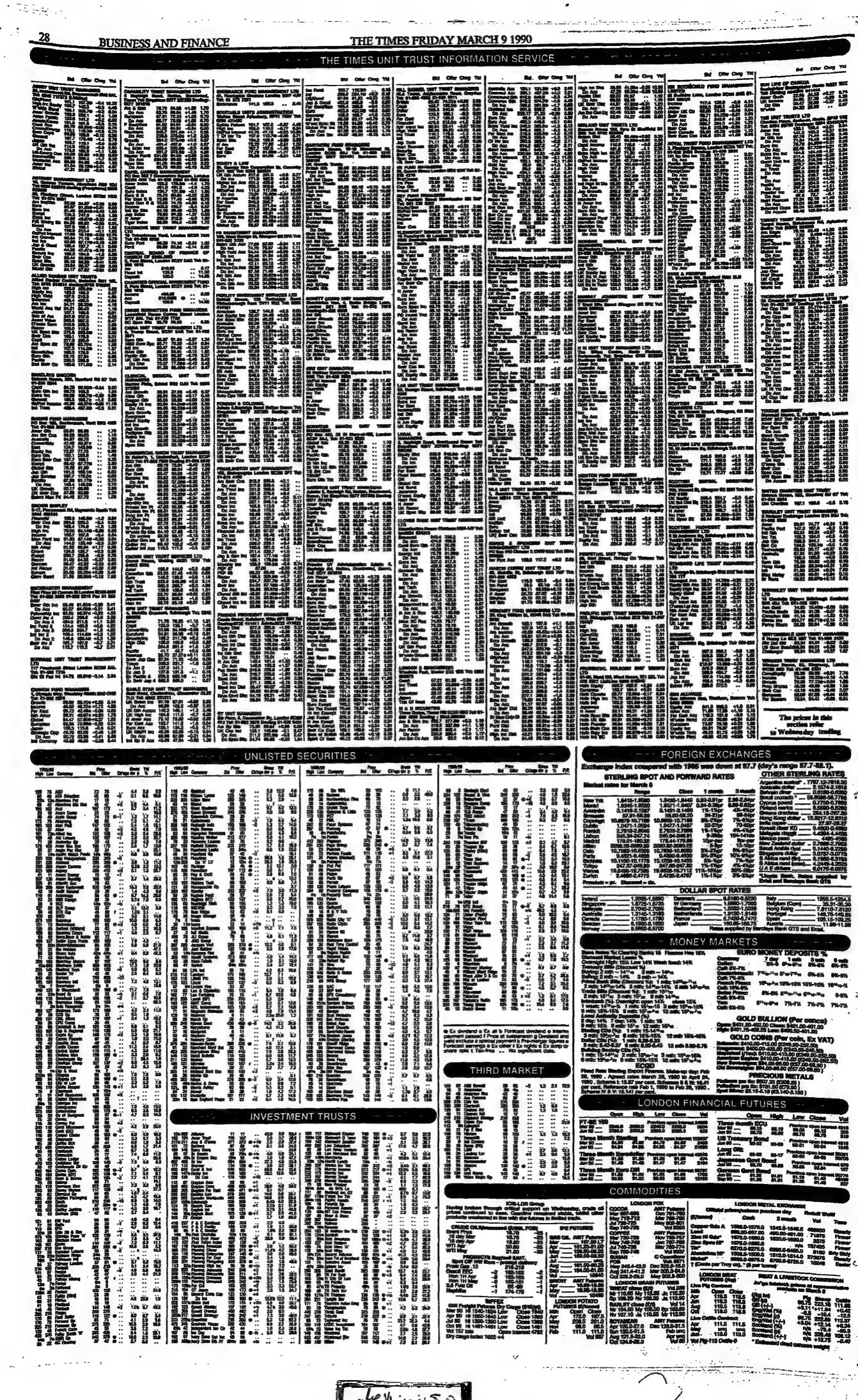
Preliminary results for the year to 27 January 1990

17% Profit sharing Bonus

	1989/90 £m	1988/89 £m	
Sales	2,048.3	1,917.7	+ 7%
Trading Profit Other Operating Income	123.7	133. 1 6.3	- 7%
Interest	13.6	7.9	
Profit before tax	110.1	131.5	-16%
Taxation Preference Dividends	21.0 0.2	26.5 0.2	
Surplus available for profit sharing and retentions	88.9	104.8	-15%
Partnership Bonus	41.2	47.5	
Retentions	47.7	57.3	1
Extraordinary Profit on sale of property	18.6		

Profit Sharing All the equity capital of John Lewis Partnership plc is held in trust for the benefit of the workers in the business. The profits remaining after taxation, preference dividends, pensions and allocations to reserves are distributed yearly among the workers as Partnership Bonus in proportion to their pay. This year the rate of distribution will be 17% of pay (1988/89 22%).

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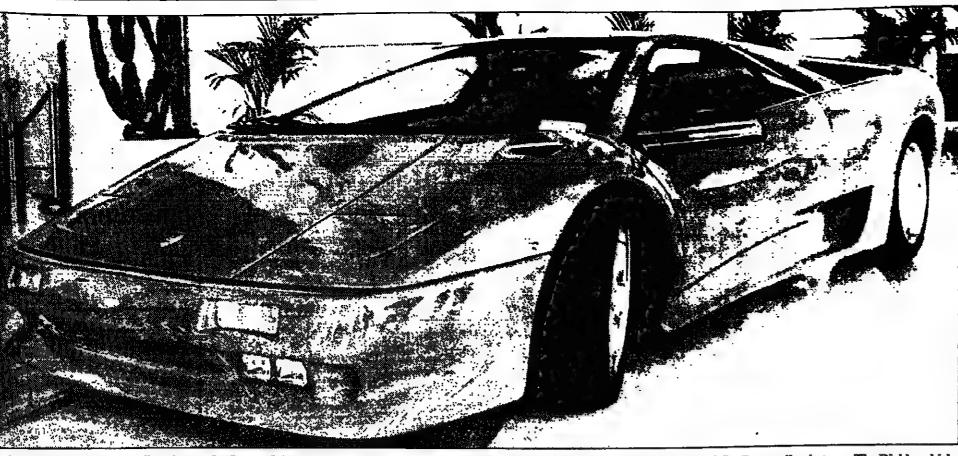
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Devil worship: shown for the first time at the Geneva Motor Show yesterday, Lamborghini's Diablo has a 5.7-litre V12 engine that uses 9.7 miles a gallon in town. The Diablo, which means "devil", stuck out like a sore thumb at Geneva, where green was the theme for the mass manufacturers. Lamborghini, backed by the US car giant, Chrysler, is unrepentant about maintaining its position as a manufacturer of some of the fastest cars ever made for road driving. Performance: 0-62 mph 4.09 seconds, and you need not change to second until 65 mph

Driving on to a clean-up

lobby thinks, there will be millions more cars on our roads by 2000. Increasing affluence throughout the West, never mind the economic expansion of the eastern bloc during the next few years, means that, far from slacken-ing, the pace of demand for personal

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transport will quicken.

Car manufacturers, gathered for the first big European motor show of the year in Geneva this week, certainly had no intention of scaling down their efforts to raise produc-tion. The reverse, in fact, was the case; everyone was bullish about sales prospects.

Lyndsey Halstead, Ford of Europe's president, says even a conservative estimate indicates sales of new cars rising from 13 million to 15 million annually. And there were sharp words from the British contingent when Geoffrey Whalen, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, simply told the greens to get off the back of

He warned that Britain had fewer cars per head of population than

The motor industry says green stands for the billions it is spending to combat pollution. Volkswagen's investment seems

to have paid off with a new way of using battery power

West Germany, France and Italy, and added: "As we become more prosperous, we are likely to have more. Is that wrong? Should people be denied cars? It depends on what kind of society we want. We believe that to be anti-motor car is to be anti-consumer and to deny individuals a unique personal mobility."

Stirring words, but a depressing prospect for the green lobby in Britain, worried about its clogged motorways and polluted streets. Looking at exhibition stands bumper-deep in go-faster gas-guz-zlers, a visitor to the Geneva Motor Show could be forgiven for believing that most car executives have lost their grasp on reality. Every maker has a flagship car of astonishing power but which guips down fuel at he greediest of rates.

However, this year power was not everything and beneath the usual

motor show hype was a layer of concern about pollution and what governments will do to curb it. According to Mr Halstead, green was the colour people went with envy 10 years ago when they could not afford a high-performance car. Green is now the colour of the dollar bills that manufacturers are throwing into

research in their billions to get to

grips with the pollution problem. Legislation will determine just how fast the car makers move. The message from the manufacturers was that petrol and diesel are here to stay for some time. However, they also say that the addition of catalytic converters, demanded by legislation from 1992 across Europe, is just a start of their clean-up mission. Though the catalyst soaks up 90

per cent of noxious gases, it still pumps out carbon dioxide, which depletes the ozone layer leading to

global warming. The answer is to use less fuel, leading to a range of enterprising short-term solutions, which means linking conventional technology with innovation.

olkswagen, for instance, has turned to a mix of the traditional diesel engine and battery power in a "hybrid" version of its best-selling Golf model. There have always been two great problems with electric power: the lack of range, rarely more than 100 miles a charge, and the poor performance, which would drive most motorists to

VW gets around both problems with a computer sensor that chooses which power is best. On long runs the 1.6-litre catalyst-equipped diesel engine under the bonnet drives the

the same time it charges batteries through a six-kilowatt generator housed below the boot. The sensor starts up the diesel when the throttle goes down bard, but cuts in the electric power for "quiet" running, such as sitting in traffic jams. A dashboard switch also means the driver can turn on to full battery power for town driving and can charge his Golf overnight from the

Fifty of these hybrid Golfs go on test in Switzerland next year at Zurich University. Another 50 Audi versions also go to California for similar evaluation but already the signs are encouraging with the amount of diesel fuel needed in such 2 system cut by two-thirds over conventional cars.

Mercedes-Benz on the other hand has developed its hybrid to use methanol as its mixer fuel. Its car can switch easily between petrol and methanol or even use both if

The car markers at least showed this week they are willing to devote huge resources not only to cleaning up their act, but also their image.

Good things that come in small parcels

The average car journey in Britain is

10 miles. Ford has produced two vehicles perfect for this distance

tury, look no further than Zig and Zag. The tiny cars are the concept of the Ghia design studios in Turin, and are seen both as city cars of the future and as models for fun and

car; Zag is a multi-purpose carrier. Both share body parts and use hi-toch features such as fibre-ontic headlamns.

The cars would have been regarded as a meaningless design exercise to please visitors to the Geneva Motor Show except for one thing: they were presented by Ford, Britain's biggest motor company and fourth largest in Europe.

Executives were implying that Zig and Zag really could be production cars despite their unlikely futuristic looks.

For confirmation of their possibilities, the technical specifications show that both cars are based on Ford's

or a glimpse of the car conventional front-wheel millions of us could be drive platforms of the type driving in the next cen- used in the current Fiesta range. The Fiesta's petrol or diesel engines could be fitted under the stubby bonnets or there is room for electric power if needed.

Will Ford produce them? Car investment can cost hun-Zig is the open-topped sports dreds of millions of pounds, but Ford executives with an eye to sales say that smaller, more compact vehicles with their easy parking and fuel economy will take a bigger than ever share of the market in the next 10 years.

The average car journey in Britain is only 10 miles, so the Zig and Zag concept has produced models for a sales bracket alongside or below the

With technology speeding up to keep ahead of traffic congestion and pollution, the descendants of Zig and Zag could be familiar sights on Britain's roads in the not too

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Within three years, however, drivers frustrated with trying to read the map while waiting for the lights to turn green will be able to install technology that will not only know its way round London better than any taxi driver, but will also be forewarned about traffic jams and be able to pick a way round them.

Next month the developer of the system, GEC Autoguide, expects to finalize details of the licence under which the scheme will operate. The Department of Transport is ready for a pilot system in the summer of 1992, and a full commercial service a year later.

The Autoguide navigation system consists of a computer mounted inside the car, taking information from an electronic compass and rotation sensors on the wheels. It gains its knowledge of the local area by communicating with a central computer through an infra-red link system operating through beacons mounted on traffic lights.

To use Autoguide, the driver enters his destination, as a name or post-code, at the start of his journey. The computer works out the general direction he should start in, and advises him which way to turn via a synthesized voice.

The voice is backed up by a simple display on the dashboard, with an arrow giving the direction and a bar indicating how far it is to the next junction.

When the car approaches a beacon, the computer flashes a digital message to the beacon through an infra-red transceiver mounted behind the rearview mirror.

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reports on a new navigation aid that dodges traffic jams

The message identifies the car and tells the central computer where the driver wants to go. The central computer responds by giving the car a highly accurate local map, information on any local traffic problems, and a general route map to the destination.

The car computer then works out the best route either to the next beacon or to the destination, if it is within the area of the map. It should be able to get to within 50 metres of the destination's front door.

The central computer gains its unrivalled knowledge of road conditions from several sources, including the police traffic control centres, local authorities, the media and the motoring organizations. But its trump card is the fleet of cars it serves, which supply it with instant information on traffic conditions. Every time an Autoguide car passes a beacon, it tells the central computer how long it took to drive along the road it has used. This enables a chensive idea of traffic conditions to be built up very quickly from a

relatively small number of cars. The car computer keeps its bearings by consulting an electronic compass and by using rotation sensors fitted to the back wheels. These measure distance travelled but can also register turns by detecting the differential rotation of the wheels.

are used as checks on each other's accuracy, in case the rotation sensors are affected by wheel slip, or the compass by passing a strong magnetic field.

The Department of Transport, which issued the licence to build and operate Autoguide to GEC in collaboration with the RAC last year, claims that journey times could be reduced by an average of 10 per cent by using the system, based on experience gained operating an experimental route between the its own offices

in Westminster and Heathrow Airport. The pilot scheme will cover the area within the North and South Circular Roads, and extend westwards to Heathrow. Three hundred major junctions will be fitted with beacons, and at least a thousand vehicles will carry the navigation system.

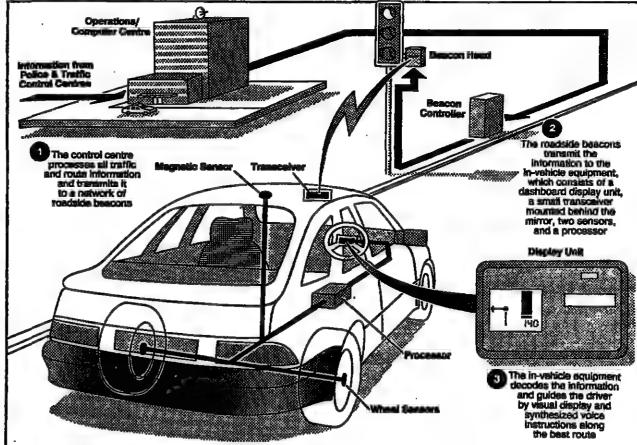
utoguide is scheduled to start commercial operations some time in 1993. It will then cover the entire area within the M25. GEC claims that the cost of an Antoguide set will be little more than that of a good-quality car stereo system, once volume sales build up. There will also be a subscription. If the system is successful, the Government will offer licences for other areas,

not necessarily to GEC. The potential for a Europe-wide system will then beckon. The infra-red links connecting car and computer already conform to an agreed European specification, originally developed by Siemens, builder of pilot schemes in Monich god Berlin.

If the urban systems being built at present can be integrated into national systems, and those national systems joined together, it will be possible to drive all over Europe without a man.



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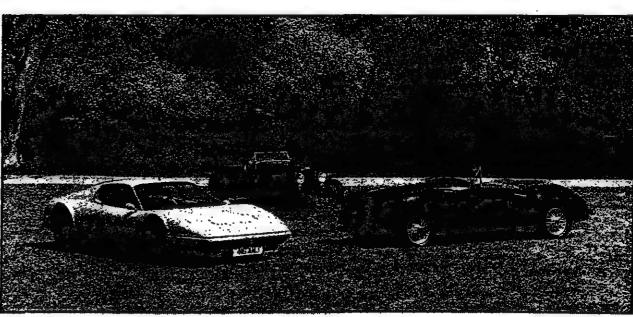
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Business in the Community (BiC) is drawing up guidelines which should lead to more informed and extensive help for women who want to set up in business. It has been found that women's information needs are not adequately met so they try to start businesses without knowing precise legal requirements and what organizations are availand what organizations are avail-able to help them. One idea has been to set up — within an enterprise agency — a women's centre to offer mutual and advisory help. This would include evening classes catering especially for





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Teething problems soothed

By Brian Collett

Final-year dental students at Guy's Hospital, London, are to be told how to set up and manage their practices - by a finance specialist whose radical approach has little room for the advice of accommunity and bankers.

Mr Randhir Singh, executive financial consultant with Abbey Life, the insurance and pensions group, will hold a seminar for the student dentists in June and expects to organize similar sessions for other groups starting or running small businesses.

He bases his message on his conviction that many small businesses "do not have a single person commercially astute enough to guide them". He be-lieves they need a consultant who will review their total finances, personal and business, before egesting a commercial plan.

And he believes professionals such as dentists, doctors and lawyers are particularly chaotic business people. "Often they don't have enough time - even to look after themselves," he said.

Many dentists, for example, do not know the best place to find finance for the expensive equip-ment they need. "They just get a bank loan," said Mr Singh, who arrived in Britain in 1973 with only £3. "Leasing is often cheaper, and buy back arrangements are often better than loans. Today, some institutions have cheap money coming out of Europe and they could benefit from that. Even remortgaging the house or flat is

usually better than a bank loan." Mr David Brown, a dentist in

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Mr Singh believes the banks' view of small business is also too without life cover and in debt

Right business drill: David Brown, a dentist who consulted Randhir Singh before investing, and assistant limited. He says that banks introduced advisers only in the past year and these tend to be "in-

experienced," considering ap-plicants' established personal record, not their potential. Mr Singh stresses the importance of market research to assess competition and says credit checking is equally important, with too many businesses failing to request references of customers to confirm their credit worthiness. He also recommends weekly

Skill shortages are main threat to smaller firms

A mixed but overall optimistic future for small business is forecast in a study which attempts to man the kind of environment smaller enterprises will face in the years to the turn of the century.

Just published by the Small Business Research Trust, Small Business 2000 is part of a larger research programme on the 1990s funded by Midland Bank. A poliof-polls approach has been taken by reviewing about 130 demo-graphic studies and analyses of mall business trends.

An ageing population and an increasing shortage of skilled labour through there being fewer young people are likely to make life tougher for small businesses these have tended to recruit heavily among young people.

After a decade when small usinesses were given so much help from government and other sources, some tailing off in such efforts seems inevitable. The study believes there will be diminished government support, whichever party is in power.

There is also the problem that advances in new technology are more fully exploitable by me-dium-sized and larger company.

Nor is there much direct benefit seen arising from the Single European Market for some years because small businesses mainly serve a local market. However,

this should not be an excuse to forget about the approach of the single market; a given business may potentially be a candidate for making an impact in many markets and the possibilities need weighing up realistically. And, as the study points out, there could be larger companies elsewhere in Europe which will now be hunting round Britain for niche markets served by small businesses.

A bull point for small businesses may be the way markets appear to be fragmenting, with consumption patterns becoming more sharply differentiated. Cultural changes are emphasizing individuality of approach. Small businesses, it is said, tend to be better at serving markets.

Low growth postulated for the early 1990s would favour the spawning of new businesses just as greater growth later is likely to see expanding larger companies ap-pealing more to those who might otherwise have launched their own business. Ethnic enterprises are seen as remaining a niche area

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of Appeal (Criminal Division) (Lord Justice Mustill, Mr Justice Farquharson and Mr Justice Tucker) (The Times May 30, 1988 (sub nom: R v Coles and Others); [1988] I WLR 1265), who had dismissed his appeal against his conviction in June 1987, in Beverley Crown Court (Judge Walker and a jury) of

Mr Christopher J. Holland, QC and Mr Robert Stevenson for Maxwell; Mr Peter Heppel

LORD ACKNER said that Maxwell and one Lewis had been business partners. Friction had arisen, and Lewis had left the business premises taking a computer and some 40 computer discs. Maxwell, having failed to recover the discs by legitimate means, had decided to resort to criminal activity. In December 1986, a serious robbery had taken place at the

house of one Richardson where Lewis was living. At 5pm there had been a ring at the front door and when that had been answered by Mrs Richardson three nen wearing balaclava masks and gloves and carrying baseball bars and an imitation gun had pushed past her and entered the living room where Mr Richardson with their two young sons and a baby were sitting.

Mrs Richardson had been

pushed into the living room while the gun, which she had thought looked like a sawn-off shorgun, had been thrust into her face and she had been told to men had struck her with a

Region v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parts Yamine and Others Before Mr Justice Schiemann

The Home Secretary acted unlawfully in directing the re-

moval to a third country of a person, with a ticket to that

country but seeking political asylum in the United Kingdom,

where he had no cause to believe

that the refugee would be admit-

in the Queen's Bench Division

when allowing applications for judicial review by six applicants against the decisions of the

Home Secretary on January 30,

1990 not to consider their applications for political asylum

and to direct their removal from the United Kingdom to Brazil.

the Immigration Act 1971 pro-

vider: "(1) Where a person arriving in the United Kingdom is refused leave to enter, an

immigration officer may . . . (c)

give directions requiring his removal from the United Kingdom to a country or territory so specified, being

(iv) a country or territory to which there is reason to believe

Article 31 of the Convention relating to the Status of Refugees (1951) (Cmd 9171) provides:

"(1) The contracting states shall

not impose penalties, on ac-count of their illegal entry or

presence, on refugees who, coming directly from a territory

threatened in the sense of article

territory without authorization, provided they present them-

elves without delay to the

authorities and show good cause

for their illegal entry or

applicants; Mr Guy Sankey for

Mr Nicholas Blake for the

MR JUSTICE SCHIEMANN

, enter or are present in that

ted to that country. Mr Justice Schien

gone upstairs and collected £400 in cash from a holdall and the discs. They left after ripping out

Two of those men had been Lee Simmonds and Peter Webster, who had subsequently pleaded guilty to robbery. It was undisputed that during the evening prior to the robbery Maxwell had made an arrangement with Webster and Simmonds and some members of the Coles family that a group of men would enter the Richardsons' house and retake the discs and would be paid £1,500 for their

Maxwell, with Webster. Simmonds, Robert King Coles and his son, Lyndon Coles, had been indicted with robbery contrary to section 8 of the Theft. Act 1968. The trial had proceeded against Maxwell and the two Coles. The case against Maxwell had been that he had asterminded the operation. In June 1987, all three men

had been convicted of robbery and sentenced to substantial May 20, 1988, Robert Coles's appeal against conviction had been allowed. Appeals by Maxwell and Lyndon Coles had been

Throughout the trial, Maxalthough he conceded that in making arrangements to obtain the money and the discs from the Richardsons' home he had had not been the crime of

He would have pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary and would do so if a count of burglary were added to the indictment. At no stage, he contended, had he ever intended that violence should be used on the Richardson family. The prosecution, however, had not been prepared to apply for leave so to amend the indictment, because they had viewed the offence as a carefully planned robbery and not as a burglary that had gone wrong. In their view, on the facts that they had established, it would have been quite inappropriate to leave to the jury the option to

The trial judge had approved

said that each of the applicants had obtained from the Brazilian

to enter Brazil and held return

airline tickets there from

They arrived at Gatwick Airport via Cyprus. They had not applied for, still less obtained, United Kingdom visas. Nevertheless, they immediately

The Home Secretary decided not to consider their applications for asylum. That decision was based on the fact that the applicants had visas for admission to Brazil and held

tickets for travel to that country,

had no connection with the United Kingdom and that it was

apply for asylum in Brazil.

The applicants contended

visas by deception from the authorities in Beirut, that they never intended to go to Brazil, that they had no connection

with Brazil and that if had to tell

the truth to the Brazilian

tained the visas, those visas would be invalidated and the

Brazilian authorities would send them back to the United King-

dom as the first safe country they reached after leaving Lebanon.

It was common ground that Cyprus could be ignored and

that there was no risk of Brazil

sending them back to Lebanon. His Lordship said that this

was the first case in which the Home Office had refused to

consider an application for asy-lum from persons who were in the United Kingdom on the

Usually the Home Office found itself in the position that the United Kingdom was the

of state in the instant case had been based on the belief that the

is that they arrived in transit

claimed political asylum.

that there had been ample evidence against Maxwell to justify a verdict of guilty of

About an hour after the jury had retired, they had returned with the question: "We would like to know if there is a lesser charge that we can bring against Maxwell and ... Coles other than robbery?"

The judge had answered: "Members of the jury, the answer to your question is 'No'. Burglary is not an alternative, and you should concentrate on the charge that the men face

which is one of robbery." After a further retirement of three and a half hours, the jury

The judge's answer to the jury had only been correct quoud burglary. The jury had been muttled in law on an indictment for robbery to return a verdict for the lesser officere of theft see section 8 of the 1968 Act and section 6(3) of the Criminal Law

that the Court of Appeal, having carefully analysed the summing up and the directions given by the judge, had been satisfied ([1988] I WLR 1265, 1268) that: The jury cannot have been in any doubt that they should be sure before convicting that Maxwell intended whoever he hired to commit the break-in to accompany the burglary with

That finding was not iticized by Mr Holland. The judge had firmly focused the jury's attention on the question whether or not Maxwell had been party to the violence. Before the Court of Appeal, it had been urged that the indict-ment had forced the jury to make a wholly artificial choice

between convicting Maxwell of robbery and acquitting him. That, it had been submitted, must have confused the jury because any member who had seriously been contemplating a finding of burglary rather than robbery would have been faced with the consequence of an outright acquittal. The judge should not have allow possibility of an intermediate

Home Secretary acted unlawfully in political asylum case

applicants would be admitted to Brazil since they came within paragraph 8(4) of Schedule 2 to the Immigration Act 1971.

Article 31 of the 1951

Convention was important for two reasons. First, it recognized that frequently a refugee would enter a country illegally and

then seek asylum and second,

the prohibition on penalties only applied in the case of rafugees coming directly from

the territory where their lives or

His Lordship said that the

first of those reasons was of general importance since refu-

gees frequently escaped from oppressive circumstances to

countries which required en-

trance formalities which had not

Nevertheless, Mr Sankey

that Parliament had, by enacting the Immigration (Carriers' Liability) Act 1987, imposed

penalties on those who carried into this country visa nationals

who did not have UK visas and

that the applicants had sought to

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His Lordship proposed to decide the instant case on the

basis that it was a fact that the

applicants had adopted that

method of getting into this country in order to get round the provisions of the 1987 Act but

that that fact was not to be beld.

challenge to the secretary of

That was in accordance with article 31 of the 1951 Conven-

tion, in accordance with which the secretary of state had agreed

His Lordship said that the

effect of the 1987 Act coupled with the secretary of state's

decision was to put substantial obstacles in the path of refugees wishing to come into this

to Brazil and a tourist visa.

freedom were threatened.

have been accepted by the Court of Appeal, but his Lordship doubted its validity. It was the responsibility of the prosecution to frame the charge as they thought appropriate.

It seemed to his Lordship that they had been entitled validly to submit that they had established a strong prima facte case of robbery and that the jury should not be distracted from concentrating on the ingredients of that offence by the introduction into the trial of the lesser offence, which had been inappropriate in their view on the facts that they had already

His Lordship would assume, without deciding, that even though the indictment was not defective, the judge had power to amend it (see section 5(1) of the Indictments Act 1915). It had further been submitted to the Court of Appeal that at the very least the judge should,

in response to the jury's ques-tion either have directed them open on the charge of robbery or have conveyed to them explic ity that, although an acquittal might seem illogical, they should not allow that to deter them from considering objec-tively whether the evidence made them sure that Maxwell had intended to rob.

Otherwise, it had been submitted, there would have been a risk that the jury might have been driven to com-promise with the standard of proof rather than see Maxwell escape unpunished for the offence he land admitted Again, the Court of Appeal

had accepted that contention, but they had concluded (at p1271) that we find no vitiatng error or reason for regarding the verdict as unsafe or un-satisfactory" and therefore dismissed the appeal.

They had said: "To interfere with the verdict would require us to identify solid grounds for suspecting that the members of the jury had forsworn their verdict of guilty when they were not sure of it, simply to avoid an unwanted outcome. No such grounds are established, and we cannot assume them to the

Visa nationals required a prior visa before coming here.

One could not get a visa on the basis of being a refugee in the country where one was being

one was arguably not outside the country of one's nationality and therefore did not a fall there

therefore did not fall within the definition of refugee and there was no provision for such a

situation in the Immigration

Rules. By reason of the 1987

Act, carriers were disinclined to convey those without visas.

one who wished to obtain asylum in this country, short of prior contact with the Home

Secretary offering him asylum, had the option of lying to the

their own country in order to obtain a visa; obtaining a cred-

ing an airline ticket to a third

country with a stopovar in the United Kingdom. The ap-plicants had adopted the third of

The international community

had many examples of similar

obstacles placed in the way of would-be refugees and yet af-

Universal Declaration on Hu-

man Rights: "Everyone has the

right to seek and to enjoy in

other countries, asylum from

Because most states had

agreed that refugees should not be sent back to the country from

which they escaped and yet few

states were anxious to receive refugees, there had evolved in international practice the first asylum principle, behind which

lay the word "directly" in article 31 of the 1951 Convention.

That principle stated that those who claimed to be refugees should seek refugee status in the first country they reached

on leaving their own.
In his Lordship's judgment,

persecution."

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vies. n

In those circumstances, any-

persecuted because at that sta

on the assumption that the judge had been correct in giving no direction to the jury that a conviction of theft was open to them, it would have been better if he had assisted them further by emphasizing that it was the prosecution who had brought the case, that it was their

responsibility to consider how to frame the charge and that, since they had decided to limit the indictment to robbery, the inry had to confine their attention solely to whether or not they were sure that Maxwell was guilty of that offence: accordingly, if they were not sure, they must acquit despite Maxwell's admission that he had committed a different and less serious

concluding that the prosecu-tion's refusal to amend the indictment by adding a count of burgiary had been justified, then he thought that it must follow that, on the facts of the case, the judge had been entitled to nclude that the alternative of theft was relatively so trifling that the jury's attention on the essential issue - had Maxwell intended violence to be used? -should not be distracted (see R v Fairbanks ([1986] 1 WLR

Accordingly, in agreement with the Court of Appeal, his Lordship could find no viriating error or reason for regarding the verdict as unsafe or nesting ory.
However, he agreed with Mr

Holland that as stated the sentence cited from the judgment of the Court of Appeal excessively restricted the court's power to interfere with the

What was required in any particular case, where the judge offence to the jury, was that the court had to be smisfied that the jury might have convicted out of a reductance to see the defendant get away with what, on any view, had been disgraceful con-duct. If they were so satisfied, then the conviction could not be safe or satisfactory. Lord Keith,

man, Lord Goff and Lord Jauncey agreed.
Solicitors: Williamsons, Hull;
CPS, Headquarters.

directions and ask whether the applicants had shown that they

Was the Home Secretary en-

titled to come to the view that

Brazil was a country to which there was reason to believe the

refugees would be admitted within paragraph 8(4) of Sched-

The only reason the Home

Secretary had for believing that the applicants would be admit-

retary believed that Brazil ought to take asylum responsibility for

the applicants since the Brazil-ians had issued visas to them.

doubts) that such a belief was

one to which the secretary of

plicants would, as opposed t should, be admitted to Brazil.

could not lawfully come. In the absence of such belief and of grounds for such belief he

had no power to make the removal directions and they

Since in making his decisions

not to consider the asylum applications, the secretary of

state had clearly believed that

valid removal directions would

be given, it seemed to his Lordship that the decisions

refusing to consider the asylum

applications had failed to take

into account what ought to have

Solicitors: Winstanley-Bur-

been taken into account.

challenged that finding.

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Coroner justified in not calling RUC men

In re McK Before Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Templeman, Lord Ackner, Lord Gott of Chieveley and Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle [Speeches March 8]

Coroners rules in Northern ireland providing that a person suspected of causing the death, or charged with or likely to be charged with an offence relating to it, should not be compelled to give evidence at an inquest. are not beyond the powers of the enabling Act.

The House of Lords allowed an appeal by the Attorney General for Northern Ireland from the decision of the Northern Ireland Court of Appeal (Sir Brian Hutton, Lord Chief Jus-tice, Lord Justice O'Donnell and Lord Justice Kelly) in December 1988 to allow an appeal by the respondent, Mrs Eleanor McKerr, from Mr Justice Carswell, who, in November 1988, had declined on Mrs McKerr's application for ju-dicial review, to set aside the decision of the Coroner for Armagh, Mr J. H. S. Elliott, to

three persons in evidence. Mr Brian Kerr, QC and Mr Nicolas Hanna, QC, (both of the Northern Ireland Bar) for the Attorney General; Mr Reginald Weir, QC and Mr Seamus Treacy (both of the Northern Ireland Bar) for Mrs McKerr.

LORD GOFF said that the inquest had opened on November 14, 1988, at Craigavon Courthouse before the coroner and a jury into the deaths of

The andisputed cause of their deaths had been that they had been killed by shots fired by members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary on November 11, 1982. Mrs McKerr was the widow of one of those killed.

Three members of the RUC (referred to as A, B and C) had been charged with, tried for and acquitted of the murder of another of the deceased men before the inquest. At a preliminary meeting on October 27, 1988, the coroner

had told those present, including legal representatives of the interested parties including Mrs McKerr, that A, B and C did. not, as persons suspected of causing the deaths of the de-ceased and having been charged with an offence relating to one of

those deaths, wish to give evidence at the inquest. At the opening of the inquest, he had informed the jury that he proposed to admit in evidence written statements made by A, B and C relating to the circum-stances in which the deceased

had been shot. Objection to that course had been made on behalf of Mrs McKerr, who had then sought to challenge the coroner's decision by way of judicial review.

ted was that they had vises.
His Lordship said that he accepted that the Home Sec-Her principal argument was that paragraphs (2) and (3) of rule 9 of the Coroners (Practice and Procedure) Rules (Northern Ireland) (S R & O (NI) 1963 No 199), were ultra wires and that accordingly A, B and C were witnesses who could and should inquest and give evidence.

reason had been suggested for him to believe that the ap-Rule 9 provided: "(1) No witness at an inquest shall be obliged to answer any question tending to incriminate believe that, then such belief had no basis so far as the evidence before his Lordship cristed and his decision was one which the secretary of state himself, and, where it appears to the coroner that a witness has been asked such a question, the normer shall inform the witness

that he may refuse to answer. "(2) Where a person is sus-pected of causing the death, or has been charged with or is likely to be charged with an offence relating to the death, he shall not be compelled to give

"(3) Where a person mentioned in paragraph (2) offers to give evidence the coroner shall inform him that he is not obliged to do so, and that such evidence may be subject to cross-examination."

The 1963 Rules had been made by the Ministry of Home Affairs in purported exercise of In those circumstances those decisions would also be powers in section 36(1)(b) of the Coroners Act (Northern Ire-

Chief Justice, "regulate the practice and procedure at or in connection with inquests and post-mortem examinations". Mrs McKerr contended that paragraphs (2) and (3) of rule 9

were ultra vires in that they did not regulate "practice and The Court of Appeal reversing the judge, had referred to the clear and well established pro-

ciple of law that, with a few specific and limited exceptions. every person is a competent witness and that, again with a few specific and limited exceptions, every competent withess is a compellable witness". In their opinion, paragraphs (2) and (3) of rule 9 constituted a

major departure from the seneral law relating to the compellability of witnesses, which applied to coroners as to other courts. In so doing, they purported to change substantive law and did not merely regulate practice or procedure. Accordingly, they were ultra wires the making authority. The court had further held

that they were ultra vires as being inconsistent with section dmit the written statements of 17(1) of the 1959 ACL In considering the question in the appeal, it was important to bear in mind that a coroner's inquest was an inquisitorial process: see R v South London

Coroner, Ex parte Thompson (The Times July 9, 1982). The coroner had the conduct of the proceedings. In particular, it was for him to decide whether to give evidence.

It was, however, with all respect to the Court of Appeal, misleading, in the context of a coroner's inquest, to describe the compellability of a witness, as they had done, as an "important common law right". Such language was reminis

cent of civil proceedings and of the right of a party to such proceedings to cause a subpocea to be issued to compel the In the context of an inquest, the compellability of a witness

was essentially a power (now statutory: sections 17 and 20 of the 1959 Act) that rested in the coroner himself. It was difficult to think of any witnesses who would not be so

compellable, apart from those who enjoyed an immunity from compellability by statute (such as diplomatic or consular It must also be very rare, at an

inquest, for questions of competence to arise, given that at an nquest there was no accused person, the inquest being directed solely towards the ascertaining of certain facts. In practical terms, the coro-

ner's power of compulsion extended, as action 17 provided, to any witness whom be thought

necessary to attend.

It followed, therefore, that what rule 9(2) did was not to interfere with a substantive right but rather to restrict, in certain specified circumstances, the exercise of a power vested in give evidence at an inquest. The question for decision was

whether rule 9(2) could properly regulated the practice and procedure at or in connection with

What was meant by "practice and procedure" must, to some extent, depend on the context in His Lordship doubted

whether, in coroners' inquests as in civil proceedings, any ma-terial distinction could be drawn between "practice" and "procedure": see per Lord Justice Lush in Poyser v Minors ((1881) 7 QBD 329, 333).

The mere fact that rules restricted what would otherwise be the unfettered power of a did not, in his Lordship's opinion, prevent them from being rules that regulated practice and procedure, nor did the mere fact of a coroner as to the evidence

The text of rule 9(2) had to be considered with reference to its subject matter. It was concerned with the evidence of a person Finucane, Belfast.

death, or having been charged with or being likely to be charged with an offence relating to the death. In that connection, regard should also be had to rule 13(1).

suspected of having caused the

which provided that where a coroner was informed that a person had been charged with murder or manslaughter or one of certain other eriminal offences concerned with wrongfully causing or being concerned he should, in the absence of reason to the contrary, adjourn the request until after the

That had the effect that a coroner's inquest deferred to Whether there had at any time

been a practice in coroner inquests in Ireland not to compel persons to give evidence who now fell within the category specified in rule 9(2) was not clear, see In re Reardem (f1873) 7 Is LT 193) and In ne Marshe ((1874) 8 Is LT 1).

If, however, any such practice the proposition that an accused person was not bound to give evidence at his trial, and therefore that it would be oppressive suspected of causing a person's death, even more one who was to be charged with his death, in the position where he privilege against self-incriminathat the witness's evidence was a matter for consideration by the coroner's inquest had to defer). his Lordship would not have hesitated to describe it as a rule of practice or procedure as opposed to a rule of substantive

such a practice would be that the coroner's power to compel a vitness to give evidence at an inquest would to that extent be inhibited, but here there would be no question of depriving a party to civil integrition of a substantive right, nor would there be any question of creating a new category of privilege, or of expanding an existing privilege, as a matter of general law.

There would simply be a rule of practice or procedure in coroners' inquests that had the certain persons were not to be put in a position where they were compelled to have resort to the privilege against self-DOMESTIL

For the like reasons, rule 9(2), and the accompanying rule 9(3), no more than rules of practice or procedure, applicable in coroners inquests in Northern Ireland.

True it was that, under rule 7(1), any properly interested person was entitled to examine any witness at an inquest; not only, however, did that rule presuppose that the watness in question was a witness at the inquest, but it had to be read part of the same body of rules. The Court of Appeal had further held that paragraphs (2) and (3) of rule 9 were ultra vires

as purporting to override acc-tion 17(1) of the 1959 Act. However, all that section 17(1) did was to confer on the coroner power to issue sum-monses for witnesses whom he thought necessary to attend the

For the reasons that his Lordship had given, he could not see that the mere fact that paragraphs (2) and (3) of rule 9 imposed a restriction on that power with regard to certain categories of persons prevented those paragraphs from regulat-For those reasons, substantially the same as those of the judge, his Lordship would allow

the appeal. Lord Keith, Lord Temple-Jauncey agreed. Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor

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Court should have allowed statement taken by police inspector in judge's drug smuggling trial ... a statement contained in had recently married. He and

Period In Indian Statement contained in it shall not be given in evidence Mr Justice Nolan and Mr ... without the leave of the

Instice Ward [Judgment March 7] A civil judge of the first class in Lahore appealed successfully against conviction of being knowingly concerned in the fraudulent evasion of the pro-hibition on importation of a

The Court of Appeal held that

the verdict was rendered unsafe trial judge ruled, under section 68 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984, against allowing in evidence statements which, if believed, would have exonerated the appellant. In a reserved judgment the

court allowed the appeal of Syed Mohammed Jaffri Iqbal, aged 38, against conviction in July 1988 after a six-day trial at Garildford Crown Court (Judge Slot and a jury) for importing red to 10 years imprisonment and recommended for deportation.

Section 68 provides: "(1)...a statement in a document shall be admissible . . . as evidence of any fact stated therein . . . if — (a) the document . . . forms part of a record compiled by a person acting under a duty...who had, or may reasonably be supposed to have had, personal knowledge of the matters dealt

Paragraph 2 in Part I of chedule 3 to the 1984 Act. which supplements section 68, provides: "Where (a) a document setting out the evidence which a person could be expected to give as a witness has been prepared for the purpose of any pending or contemplated proceedings: and (b) it falls thin subsection (1) of section

court, and the court shall not give leave unless it is of the opinion that the statement ought to be admitted in the interests of justice..." Paragraph 7 provides: "In estimating the weight, if any to

he attached to the statement circumstances from which any inference can reasonably be drawn as to the accuracy or otherwise of the statement and, in particular -- (a) to the question whether or not the person who supplied the information from which the record containing the statement did so contemporaneously with the facts dealt with in the

Mr Paul Purnell, QC, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr Austen Laurd-Davies for the

MR JUSTICE WARD, giving the judgment of the court, said that the appellant arrived at Heathrow Airport from Pakistan in August 1987 carrying three suitcuses. The heroin was concealed in false bottoms of two of them. The only issue for the jury was whether he knew the drugs were in the suitcases. When arrested the appellant responded indignantly and

when interviewed he made no The defence was the absolute denial of knowledge of the presence of the drugs, it being opportunity for someone else to have concealed them. He gave a full account of himself.

He wished to visit the United

Kingdom because his brother

his servant, Sarwar, purchased two new puitcases in the market two days before departure. They were taken back to the house by the servant and left in the box room until packed by the servant with some assistance by the appellant's wife.

She wife gave evidence about storage and packing of the suitcases. A number of people passed through the box room and many knew of the intended visit to the United Kingdom. In particular her husband's brother-in-law, Azhar, who knew about the trip, was a frequent visitor to the house. Late in December, the servant

Sawar was dismissed and after his dismissal Azhar had not visited again. The jury retired for just under three bours and returned a

Mr Puruell submitted that the conviction was rendered unsafe and unsatisfactory because the trial judge refused to allow in evidence under section 68 an affidavit and signed statement of an inspector of police in Lahore and the accompanying confession statements of the servant Sawar and the brotherin-law Azhar which, if believed, would have completely exon-

erated the appellant. That ruling, he submitted, denied the appellant the opportunity to place before the jury evidence that, on December 19, 1987 the appellant's wife and another were witnesses to a fight outside his home between Sawar and Azbar who were in dispute over the division of money due to them for switching suitcases and substituting ones in which the herom had been concealed in the false

investigation began. Sawar and Azhar were arrested and made full confessions to Inspector

Azhar confessed that he ought identical suitcases, gave them to the dealer in heroin in Lahore, who concealed the drugs. Thereupon Azhar effected the substitution in the expectation that one way or another the dealer's associates recover the suitcases.

When seen by the servant making that switch, Azhar threatened Sawar with violence if he revealed what had happened. Sawar began to black-mail him, which led to the altercation witnessed by the appellant's wife. Sawar confirmed that he had

observed the exchange of suit-cases, that he was threatened with a pistol but was promised some financial reward which was slow in being paid. Both men were averring that the appellant had no knowledge

of what had been done to his ment was silent as to the fate of the arrested men, but it was the appellant's case that they had absconded in breach of their conditions of bail and that their whereabouts were unknown. His Lordship reviewed the statutory provisions and said

part of a "record" as their Lordships interpreted the word. It was a record because it was a compilation of facts supplied by those with direct knowledge that the trial judge gave careful consideration to R v Martin ([1988] ! WLR 655) and held of the facts which was preserved in writing or other permanent form, in order that it was not hat the document was written evanescent and which would by the inspector who was writserve as an original source or ing down the confessor's words: memorial or register of those facts and thus be evidence of that he was under a duty to write ing suitcases and substituting that he was under a duty to write and thus be evidence of further from the transcription of matters set out in the confessional peer concealed in the false information contained in those words was supplied by the interests of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute them or of the transaction to the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of matters set out in the confessional the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which the interests of the evidence into documentary sions to which the interests of the evidence into documentary sions to which the interests of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which the outlet from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which the interests of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documentary sions to which they substitute from the transcription of the evidence into documenta

promptly and responsibly reported those matters to the
police authority and a criminal
investigation began. Sawar and be brought here to give of the record of a criminal investigation into an of dealing in drugs. In the trial judge's judgment, however, the inspector was not compiling a record within the meaning of section 68, as he They were as much part of the

occurrence book in which the understood it, that is, a contemporameous record kept by a person acting in the perfor-mance of a duty to record as said to him across the counter of 2 The record was compiled by things occurred the facts and the inspector in the execution of events at the time of their which he was engaged and so fell He, therefore, refused to imit that evidence. Mr Purnell

3 His duty to record the facts His Lordship said that the courts had been careful not to give an exhaustive definition of "record". Having reviewed the supplied to him arose independently of the issues which were raised far away from him in the crown court. True it might be that the taking of the statem on to say that their Lordships had, at all times had at the arose in the execution of his duty to prepare a case which forefront of their minds the criminal prosecution, but not dangers adverted to by the trial judge which would arise from

for the purpose of the trial in However, as a matter of which they were now sought to construction of the 1984 Act, be admitted, which was the their Lordships had concluded governing limitation in Marin Times March 24, 1989).

solicitor was not.

and in R v Cunningham (The It was not, in their Lordships' judgment, anomalous to hold that a confession taken by a police officer was admiresible but one taken by a defendant's

Without seeking in any way to impugn the integrity of the solicitor, they saw that the very independence of the recording officer, who was performing his separate duty at one remove or urther from the transcription of 4 Judge Slot erred in holding that the duty was one to record contemporaneous facts, that is, "a duty to record as they occur-facts and events at the time of their occurrence". In so bolding he no doubt

relied on a passage in Martin (at p664). The judgment in that case, however, focused on the nature of the duty of the recording officer, not the nature of the facts he was recording. Their Lordships very much attempting to define "record" in the way the trial judge did. Section 68 contained no such

On the contrary, paragraph 7 of Schedule 3 made it plain that the admissibility of, as opposed to the weight to be given to, the Weight would be affected by the question "whether or not the

person who supplied the information from which the record containing the statement was compiled did so contemporaneously with the occurrence or existence of the facts dealt with in that information". That paragraph clearly rec-ognized that facts recorded at the time of their occurrence

were more likely to be accurately recorded and so more reliable than facts recorded long after their occurrence. 5 The information supplied to the inspector was supplied by persons who had, or might reasonably be supposed to have had personal knowledge of the

integrity of that evidence and thus the interests of justice.

Secure their attendance (within section 68(2)(a)(ii) of the 1984 7 Consequently the trial judge

was wrong to conclude that the statement of the inspector and the confessions it exhibited were inadmissible in evidence in law. Had he correctly directed himself, he would undoubtedly have borne in mind that the appellant, through his solicitors, had disclosed those matters to the prosecution some six months or so before the trial, giving ample opportunity for the circumstances and gather the circumstances and gather such evidence as they could to cast doubt on the credibility and consistency of the information. An officer of the department of Customs and Excise did visit Pakistan, but with what result their Lordships did not know.

good reason why the trial judge should have exercised his discretion to exclude the statement. The information set out in the documents went to the heart of the defence and, notwithstanding some features of the appel-lant's case which their Lordships found curious, they held that the jury's verdict was

There seemed not to be any

rendered unsafe and unsatisfactory and the appeal was allowed. Lest the unscrupulous seized on the present judgment to manufacture evidence to per-vert the course of justice, they were reminded that documentary evidence in criminal proceedings was now governed by Part II of the Civil Justice Act

1988 which, stated broadly, would admit certain business or professional documents unless the interests of justice required Solicitors: Solicitor, Customs

Sied in Martin aims to take a step up the rankings

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspon

Everett "Big Foot" Martin, gone down we would have the only man to go the distance with the new-look George Foreman, arrived in London yesterday to take on Gary Mason, the British heavyweight champion, at the Albert Hall next Wednesday.

Although named Big Foot after the North American version of the Abominable Snowman, there is little abominable about the softspoken Texan, except perhaps his appetite. Big Foot likes to eat. Even if he might not be able to match Mason's weight of punch, he will certainly be the Englishman's equal in bodyweight. The 5ft 11in cruiserweight weighs 235lbs. He said: "I was a middleweight, then a light-heavy, then a cruiserweight, then a

Boxing Foreman was like facing a legend, for when Martin, aged 25, was 10 years old, Foreman was world heavyweight champion. "It was scary fighting a legend," Martin said. Though the big man dropped Martin in the eighth round, he could not keep him down.

According to Willie Savanman told him to stay down. "'Don't get up, stay down', Foreman told him," Savannah said. Which made Martin has won 26 of his 40 pro-jump up and come straight fessional fights, with 24 heck at Foreman. "If he hadn't knockouts.

won because Everett was beating him on points."

Strangely enough, on my television set, Martin looked little more than a durable journeyman. He was slower even than Foreman and afforded him good target prac-tice. Mason should have no difficulty finding him

Savannah claimed that the unrated Big Foot has come to London to take a big step up the rankings at Mason's expense. But his record of 27 wins and eight defeats does

Martin was knocked out by Johnny Du Plooy, of South Africa, and stopped by Tony Willis. Du Plooy is not the heaviest of punchers and Willis is little more than a lightheavyweight. Willis was demolished in five rounds by Dennis Andries, of Hackney. • The Olympic champion. Lennox Lewis, aims to continue his rise up the heavy weight professional rankings with a win against an Ameri-can, Mickey Cohen, at Gateshead Leisure Centre on March nah Martin's manager, Fore- 22. That will be the chief supporting bout on the Glenn McCrory-Jeff Lampkin world IBF championship bill, Cohen

TENNIS

Capriati recovers in dramatic style

Although Jenniser Capriati drupped a set to Claudia Porwik, the Australian Open semi-finalist, she still reached the third round of the Virginia Slims of Florida with a 7-5, 0-6, 2 without here. 6-2 victory. Mary Joe Fernan-dez, playing her first match since competing in the Austra-lian Open final, elso struggled, having to save two match points ninst Nicole Provis before inning 6-2, 4-6, 7-6.

th were matches of high quality, which was rather surprising considering the conditions. Capriati, from the razzmatazz ding her opening match, began in spectacular form, serving and volleying with con-fidence. In the first few games, at ast, memories of her stunning performance at the Wightman Cup were revived.

With both players committed to attack, the railies were short and often dramatic. Capriati. using her forehand more often than in her previous match, matched Porwik in challenging from the net, and then stole a vital break in the twelfth game

to claim the opening set. Porwik responded in the second set by rushing the net even more and volleyed powerful foreband winners that offered drop shot, too, with some success, and it was vital then that Capranti stopped the mo-mentum as the third set got

under way.
Indeed, she stayed positive
and showed a maturity beyond
her 13 years. It was she then who got the vital break, for 4-2, after saving three break points herself in the previous game.

Porwik hit two overheads that were executed well enough to beat many opponents, but Capriati met them with first a cross-court backhand winner and then a suberbly struck backhand down the line and victory was assured. Fernandez was up a set and 4

0 before Provis responded with a performance that must match the best of her career. Fernandez was belpless, as the revitalised Australian repeatedly hit the ridelines with a most formid forehand, and only claimed victory by taking advantage of a weak second serve on her first match point.

match point.

RESULTS: Second reseat H Suicova (C2) bt F Simpson (Can), 6-1, 6-5; J Capried (US) bt C Porwik (WG), 7-5, 0-6, 6-2; L Calchenister (Peru) bt A Grossman (US), 6-2, 3-6, 6-2; J Novotna (C2) bt T Whistinger (US), 6-0, 6-3; N Tauziat (Fr) bt S Marrin (US), 5-2, 6-1; J Wiseau (Aus) bt A Fisto (Arg), 7-5, 6-2; H Coff (US) bt A Snith (US), 2-6, 6-3, 7-6; H Manditova (Aus) bt N Hermann (Fr), 6-3, 6-0; R Reggi (b) bt J Siland (Fr), 6-2, 5-7, 6-2; A Coetzer (SA) bt S Himitia (NG), 6-1, 2-6, 6-2; A Cavetaton (US) bt P Louis-Harper (US), 7-6, 4-6, 6-2; M Fernandez (US) bt N Provis (Aus), 2-6, 6-4, 7-8.

Furore as Agassi quits **US Davis Cup squad**

Whether by design or chance, Andre Agassi seems incapable of avoiding controversy. No sooner had he beaten Jimmy Arias 6-1, 7-6 in a routine match in the second round of the Newsweek Cup than his postmatch press conference turned into a long and complicated explanation of why he was not going to play in the Davis Cup for the United States against Czechoslovakia in Prague later zechoslovakia in Prague later

Was this news? Well, yes, because just two days before, the American captain, Tom Gorman, had sat in the same had selected Agassi and Brad Gilbert to play singles against the Coochoslovaks and that both

this month.

had agreed to play.

This was true — on Monday. Then Agassi discovered that another possible choice, Aaron in, was not as injured as Gorman had thought. Well, I have not been selected for the first round against

ARTON was injured and your agreed to step in, even though I was afraid I wouldn't be at my best. When I discovered Aaron was fit, I realized it would be better if I stepped down."

RESULTS: Second round (US unless stated): B Becker (WG) bt J Sinches Vicario (Sp), 7-8, 6-3: G Ivaniseric (Yug) bt F Clavet (Sp), 6-2, 6-4; J Berget ff 7, 6-2, 7-8; J Berget ff 7, 6-2, 7-8; B Baloner bt N Ivanon (Swe), 6-4, 6-2; Adquest bt J Aries, 6-1, 7-6; J Courier bt K Jones, 6-2, 6-3; A Krickstein bt B Dyke (Aus), 4-6, 6-3, 6-2; J Gunnarson (Swe) bt K Fach, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2; J Surghan, 6-0, 6-3; D Cahlif (Aus) bt C Verren (US), 7-4, 6-4; H Stoff (Auspire) bt J Fleurian (F), 6-3, 6-3; Pugh (Auspire) bt J Fleurian (F), 6-3, 6-3; Pugh (Auspire) bt J Fleurian (F), 6-3, 6-3; Pugh (US) bt T Mayotte (US), 6-2, 4-6, 6-4; R Reneberg (US) bt P Sampras (US), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

SCHOOLS CRICKET

Cumnor House's Australian class

By Barry Trowbridge

sporting tours of 1990 began yesterday when 14 boys from Cumnor House, a preparatory school in South Croydon, flew from Heathrow to play a month's cricket in Australia. Any trip to foreign parts makes the adrenalin flow in the young, but for the boys of Cumnor House, aged between 10 and 13, this adventure will provide the opportunity to both savour life on the other side of the world and develop their sporting prowess, and hopefully go some way to re-establishing the reputation of English cricket

in the eyes of their oldest rivals.

One of the most ambitious sporting tours of 1990 began yesterday when 14 boys from Martyn Cook, a former Surrey second XI player and the team coach (and sometime English master), will be travelling with the party, as will Duncan White, the headmaster, and four other adults. A group of parents keen to follow their sons' progress is meeting up with the

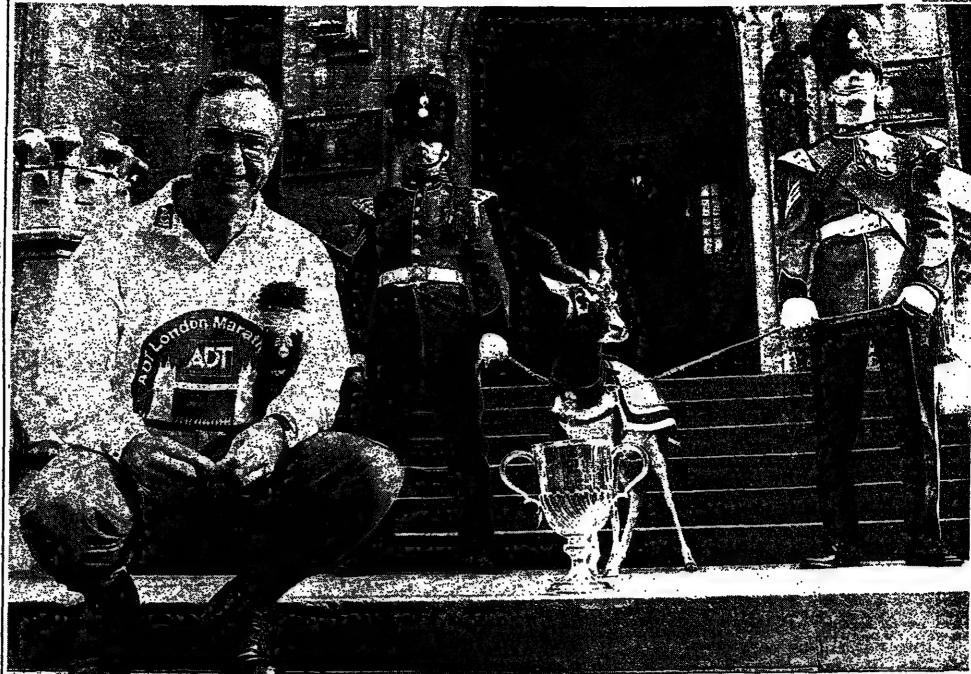
squad in Sydney. Well aware that "Australian boys at this age seem to hit the ball a lot harder than we do - so we might be in trouble in limited-over games". White is anxious that the tour starts well the eyes of their oldest rivals. when his boys meet Knox For if nothing else, the boys of match, next Thursday. With a Last summer, the school's XIs school motto of "Time Tells

All", it is clear, however, that for the boys of Cumnor House the next four weeks will provide a lot more than victories (or perhaps even defeats) on the playing fields of a foreign land.

Travel, they say, broadens the mind; what better opportunity than this for the boys of Cumnor House? COMMENT HOUSE BOLLAR P McDonnell (capt), D Sales (vice-capt), B Cauffeld, M Desiron, A Draccalls, F Dales, N Jarvis, S Lampida, N Lee, T Lee, M Love, A Monger, J Parley, D Robinson,

Trailen/ATT Maush Till Knox Prep School; the Barker College Prep; the The King's School, Parametic; 21: Sydney C of E 68; 22: Knox St U-13e; 24: Knox Prep School; 28: Cantains GS U-13e; 28: Stone Prep School; 28: Trinky GS U-13e; April 2: Casisted Grammer Prep School, Prefix 3: Cristchardt; 4: Scotch College; 5: Guildrord GS U-13e.

To each Fusilier there comes his own sporting challenge



Running for regimental pride: Colonal Shervington, with the support of mascot, faces up to the daunting challenge of the London Marathon on the steps of the Tower of Lo

Benn's former CO tackles the runner's summit

By Michael Caleman Many people share in the making of a sports champion.
Most go unacknowledged.
When Nigel Beau climbs into the ring in Minni on April 20 to challenge Doug Dewitt for the World Bexing Organisation middleweight title, it will be only fron years since Fobe only five years since Fa-siller Bean's commanding of-ficer in Northern Ireland encouraged him to take the plunge into full time books. It might surprise Bean to

If might surprise Beam to learn that his CO, Colonel Peter Shervington, will be facing his own sporting summit a week before the title contest, for Shervington is one of the 12 Times/Unisys fund runners in the ADT London Mayethen on April 22 Marathee on April 27.

ADT London Marathon Appeal

served with me at Mindes. before we moved to Ballykelly.

I that several chart with him

From Ray Bolinson Stranda, Norway

As the World Cup gears up for the final cremts of the 1989-90 season, shadows of discontent cast doubts over the future of

Alpine racing in its present format. The national team structure and amateur status which have been the bests of the competition since its inception in 1968 are under threat because of the competition of

of the commercial realities of

of the commercial realities of mounting television-oriented races in the 1990s.

World Cup skiing has failed to move with the demands of sponsors, equipment suppliers and an increasingly sophisticated television audience which forms the lifeblood of modern winter sports. These

modern winter sports. These factors, combined with the financial deficit created by two

consecutive winters of poor snow and the failure of the Federation Internationale de Ski

(FIS), the governing body, to adapt to change have created the present mood.

present mood.

The problem for the FIS is compounded by criticism of poor television coverage of events and a flaw in the established structure of neces.

In the observability the leading 15

men's downhill, the leading 15 seeded racers draw their start

positions on the eve of the race.
The remaining competitors run

The remaining competitors run in a seeded order that is updated

and we finally agreed to let him go. He get out pretty quick because we did not enforce the strict terms of the engagement

he had signed."

Within a year, Bean was
Amateur Boxing Association
champion and turned professional, winning his first 18

than his former CO,"

nce raca. His object

Stranda (Renter) — Bad weather raied out practice for today's women's downhill here for the second soccessive day yesterday.

After a jury inspected the course for the event, Oyvin Grismes, the race secretary, said heavy snowfalls had made safe practice impossible. High winds also prevented training.

winds also prevented training.
Officials decided ysterday
afternoon that the downhill

woold be postponed until tomor-row and a giant statom, trans-ferred from Candauchu, Spain,

twice each winter according to results. This places media in-terest in only the top 15 skiers and makes sponsorship, like that of tennis, top heavy. Many

argue that a basic change in the system could rejuvenate interest

might not be run at all.

Aid Society and, through his long tours abroad, witness of the sufferings brought about by war, Shervington is aware of the many bereaved families need goes beyond the re-sources provided by the State. "Then there's Group Cap-tals Leonard Cheshire's fund

to raise a fiver for every life lost by war this century — it would come to £500 million, I think. I'll be running for that, too, it's the World War me-morial fund for disaster

work. "People blame soldiers for killing, but often we are as ocuet as civilians. It's un who are called in to fight the

SKIING: COMMERCIALISM CASTS DOUBTS OVER WORLD CUP AS AN OLYMPIC CHAMPION CELEBRATES

tion in available finance forces

their hand.
The discontent in the present

structure is not confined to the media and race officials. The

European season began with

cision to continue races on

artificial snow, over terrain made hazardous by the lack of natural snow had immediate

Alberto Tomba's chances of

world cap glory were dashed in

the first super giant of the European season in Val d'Isère,

France. A spectacular fall on the fastest section of the man-made

reliel."

projects, though not entirely gets tough, I'll get the confined to Britain, absorb each mile by reciting him. "Our new rector at Buth Corinthians, chapter Abbey, Canon Richard Askew, has two projects, one the St Matthew's Children's Fund for orphasm in Ethiopia [he worked there], the other Fountain House, Bath, for severely disabled children."

The Bath Schools Cricket Foundation - aimed at raising the profile of the game is the area — and Bath rugby club's supportive link with Steams Bucharest, whose captain, Florica Murarin, was killed in the December sizing. the December rising, will also benefit from the tireless Shervington's London route

"I'm aiming to run at least balf as fast as the winner. I am verse 24," he said. The Times and Unisys, the

official ADT London Marathon computer service, hope that by featuring the efforts of our 12 fund repoers we will help them find spousorship. If you wish to support one or more of them, write clearly stating your beneficiaries to The Times/Unisys Marathon Appeal, Sports We will send on

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Campbell | Man-made winter of discontent tries new approach

By John Goodbody

Menzies Campbell, the Liberal Democrats MP for North-East Fife, has asked the Home Affairs Select Committee to investigate the problem of drugs in British

sport. Campbell, his party's spokesman on sport, made his request after his failure to obtain a second reading for a Bill that would make it a criminal ofwould make it a criminal of-fence to possess anabolic ste-roids, the body-building drugs, unless the individual has a medical prescription. He said that the committee would have the power to compel witnesses to attend and to carry out a full-

scale investigation.

He said: "For 100 long the he sand. For its location in sport has been the subject of innuendo and rumour, with the occasional revelation when sportsmen are caught. A thorough investigation by the Home Affairs Select Committee would establish the true extent of drug-taking in sport, which I believe to be much greater than is generally

appreciated."
The Government has been prevaricating over adding the hormone drugs to the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, despite re-peated statements that it was

intending to do so. The Sports Council, the Government-financed organization, has agreed to a request from the British Amateur Weightlifters' Association to investigate the misuse of drugs in the sport. However, the Sports Council does not have the power to compel individuals to give evi-dence under oath, as has occurred in investigations in Australia and Canada.

dwindling audiences and reduc-TODAY'S FIXTURES

OTHER SPORT

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FOOTBALL. Barcleys League Third division Chester v Reading (7.45). Tranners v Wigan.....

Fourth division Southend v Gittingham (7.45)... Stockport v Wrexham:.....

OVENDEN PAPERS COMBINATION: Nor-wich y Children. RUGSY LEAGUE

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSIEP: Shel-led v Causaford (or Donouster). BLAIOM LAGER ALLIANCE For di-vision: Helitax v Wigen; Hull KR v St. Helens; Leeds v Warrington; Salford v Festherstone; Swinton v Widnes. Second glyleine: Welcotted v Rochigate.

BASKETBALL: Sereesport 11.45em-1.15per Amelian Langue Emph 2-4ont: Live coverage of the European Cap from Greece. RESTRICT Spreampert 7-2.55mm and 11.30pm: Professional and Top Rank sweats from the United States. CRICKET: Eurosport 1-2pm; West Indies v England: Highlights of the fourth one-day intermediates from Gayers.

TRY THIS

Denis Tingay's suggestion for a sporting day out Appleyard "Talk Dirty" Buggy to amount to retain the title.

PARICIELD BRITISH OFF-ROAD CHAMPIONITHIP: The first round of the Parkfield British off-road championship, designed to test the capability of four-wheel-drive vehicles over a variety of terrains, takes place on Sunday at Arena-Esson, nose Thurrock. All proceeds of the meeting will be An proceeds of the meeting will be donated towards the purchase of medical equipment to benefit the victims of road accidents and competitors in the motor sport. HOW TO GET THERE: The Arena, which provides ample car-parking space and safe viewing areas for spectators, is located just north of the Dartford Tunnel on the A1036. Racing will begin at 10am, with entrance fees of £4 for adults and £2 for children.

The event, which opens this season's off-road championship, is expected to attract more than 80 vehicles and drivers, who will compete in six timed runs over a three-mile multi-terrain course. Andy Sargeant, winner of the 1989 championship, will return with his

fastest section of the man-made course ended with him sustaining a broken shoulder, forcing him out of competition for the better part of the winter. The super giant in Sestrière in December claimed Marc Girardelli, of Luxembourg, last year's overall World Cup winner, who will not return to competition this season as a

system could repuve all interest and revitalize a sport at risk of slipping from public favour. Many advocate a system whereby the racers have a minimum of two training runs, the second of which becomes a qualifier for the race. By selecting the 30 leading times in the qualifying event and holding a fresh draw for the race start positions, a television audience will have two events of interest, the qualifier and the race.

The FIS is under pressure from broadcasters and sponsors to consider the changes before

competition this season as a result of his injuries.

The classic Val Gardena downhill race claimed four vic-tims including three top 15 skiers, Giorgio Piantanida, of Italy, Gerhard Pfaffenbichler, of

Austria, and Peter Mueller, of Switzerland, all out for the scason. By the time the FIS cancelled the remaining pre-Christmas races, 15 of the

FOOTBALL: Screensport 10-11.45sm: Highlights of the Mariboro Cap: Eurosport 11am-12.30pm: World Cup highlights. FORD SIO REPORT: Eurosport 9-10pm.

10.30pm-3em, and C4 1.15-3pm: Figure skaling: Live coverage of the World championships from Halifax, Nove

MOTORCYCLING: Screenepart 2:30-3:30pm los Speedway: Highlights of the World champleostlips from Assen, The Hatherlands.

MOTOR SPORT: Screensport 9.30-11.30pm; Highlights of the NASCAR Goodwarech 500 from Rockingham; Eurosport 10-10.30pm; Highlights of For-mula One from the United States.

POWERSPORTS INTURNATIONAL: Streensport 5-8pm. NUMBY LEAGUE Servemper 6.30-10am and 3.30-5pm: Highlights of Leads v

Wigan.

STUNC: Europeant 16-11am; Coverage of the marie elemen hum Gallo, Norway.

SPORT ON FRIDAY: BRC2 2:20-50rc Figure sketting: Highlights of the World champtonships from Hallow, Canada; Football: FA Cap sketh hound previous Railying: Coverage of the Cartal International Raily from the North Yorkshire Moors.

SURFING: Eurosport 12:30-1pm; Surfer

TENNES: Screensport 6-7.30pm: High-lights of the ATP Vehicle Commission of the ATP Vehicle Comm

FORD SIG REPORT: Eurosport 9-10
HANDBALL: Eurosport 6-7pm: Highle of the World Champlesships

ICE HOCKEY: Screenway 7.30-61 Hadosel Hockey League.

MONTH MOTOR SPORT (MIN'S: Eur 9-9.30em.

Only half of the scheduled races have gone ahead in the pre-planned location due to the European snow drought, making this the worst World Cup season in its 21-year history. But the conditions have also created some of the closest race results racers criticizing the organizing body for allowing events to go ahead under conditions of questionable safety. The defor many years, with some new names forcing their way on to the winner's podium.

In the final women's downhill

here - rescheduled for Saturday - any one of the top five contenders can win the title. Katrin Gutensohn-Knopf, of West Germany, the leader with 110 points, is only four points ahead of Petra Kronberger, her team-mate, and just 11 points separate the five leading

With only one race to complete the women's super-giant tour, Carol Merle, of France, on 74 points, looks set to secure her far points, notes set to sective ner first super-giant title and Anita Wachter, of Austria, has a commanding lead in the giant slalom overall points. Vreni Schneider, of Switzerland, returning from injury, looks set to small the stalom title. to main the stalom title

in the men's events, Helmut Hoeflehner, of Austria, has a commanding lead in the downhill rankings with 131 points. Pirmin Zurbriggen, of Switzerland, is second

makes

no error

Geilo, Norway (Reuter) -Alberto Tomba, twice Olympic champion, hit top form since his return from injury to win the penultimate men's slalom of the Alpine World Cup season The Italian, lying first after

the opening run, was helped when Armin Bittner, his chief rival, who has already taken the setting out on the second leg. Tomba, who has a history of failing to finish the second run after being fastest in the first, had been determined to win again after being pipped for first place by Bienes in Version place by Bittner in Veysonnaz, Switzerland, last weekend. He skied cleanly through the 66 gates of the second leg and clocked a total time of lmin 46.19sec on Geilo's gentle sia-

Tomba, who took the Calgary Olympic title in the slalom and giant slaiom, had won only once before this season — in Water-ville Valley, United States. Michael Tritscher, of Austria, took only the second runner-up place of his career, 1.19sec behind Tomba, with Jonas Nilsson, of Sweden, celebrating his 27th birthday a day late by finishing third in 1:47.49.

GYMNASTICS

Mercer can claim title

all round finals at last year's world championships at Stuttgart, attempts to winthe individnal title at the British championships starting at Craw-ley tonight. She will use a fresh beam routine and a new catchand-release move on the asym-

Although Mercer, from The competition, sponsored by Redland Roof Tiles, tonight features compulsory exercises.

Sarah Mercer, who reached the ineligible for the title because she had not qualified for British representation having been brought up in New Zealand, She will now challenge the cham-pion, Lisa Grayson, from Redcar. Two other strong contenders are Louise Redding, from Telford, and Lorna Mainwaring.

LACROSSE

Universities favourites

By Peter Tatlow The Combined Universities are

favourites to win the women's territorial championships at Chiswick this weekend. They include Mary McKnight, of Wales, and are captained jointly by the England players, Jane Burrell and Michelle Reynolds. Most of the other territories still have World Cup players roaming Australia. South are without Drane Stearn, Fiona

and the holders, East, are missing Rachel Keens. West, led by the England captain, Lois Richardson, have lost Sue Feather, Lindsey Mellstrom and Madeleine McDonagh, who has retired. Midlands are without Hall and Cullen.

ORDER OF PLAY: Tomorrow: South v West: North v Midtands: East v Combined Universities: West v Midands. Sandays Combined Universities v North: South v Middands: East v West; South v Combined

Simon Barnes tries to discover the secret of the McLaren team's much envied domination Dennis in pursuit of excellence

hen the Michelan-gelo Pietà was vandalized, Salvador Dali shrugged and asked, what didwe expect? Great art has always inspired great passions.

Great success of any kind excites great passions, often as destructive as those that animated the mad axeman of St Peter's. This is as true on the infinitely trivial stage of sport as it is anywhere else.

Sport is supposed to be about the pursuit of excellence: at times it seems that sport's purpose is to create opportunities for the excellent to raise themselves far enough above the parapet to be shot down. One thinks of that odd quasimartyr, George Best, of course: also of such contrary and often self-destructive people as Ian Botham and Geoff Boycott.

In motor racing, if you seek excellence, if you seek sustained success, you go to McLaren. And you find a company that has been the subject of concerted attack from, it seems sometimes, the entire sport of Formula One motor racing. Mostly, these attacks have been aimed at the world's fastest driver,

McLaren have been the team no one can keep up with. After 15 wins from 16 races in 1988, they won 10 and both the drivers' and contructors' championships again last season. Quentin Crisp said: Never try to keep up with the Joneses. It's much cheaper to drag them down to your level." Perhaps that is what has been behind such things as the disqualification of Senna after winning the Japanese Grand Prix last season and the winter-long row about whether he would be allowed to compete at all

The man in charge at McLaren is Ron Dennis. With four of the last six constructors' titles, he is at the pinnacle of his sport. But he is an oddly deceptive man. You would walk by him in the street a dozen times; in the pit lane you would ask him to point out the team boss of McLaren. His manner is extremely ordinary: one of the most deceptive fronts in sport, quite clearly, yet his is not a mask assumed for his own

The philosophy here is that we try to do all that we can to inspire everybody who works for the company to do his part, to make his contribution to our common objective. This is, winning, winning each and every race. Everything that distracts from this aim detracts

The secret of McLaren is that there is no secret. Boring really: they are just very, very good and very, very meticulous. Most Formula One workshops look clean enough to eat off: the McLaren workshop looks clean enough for the performance of a triple bypass operation.

All teams plan ahead: McLaren simply plan longer and more clearsightedly. Some say that the 1989 success was planned eight and more plans for the distant future as fluid, slowly solidifying as they approach in time. Dennis is not charismatic and inspirational: he seems, instead, almost infinitely capable. And he runs what a colleague described to me as the most professional organization in any sport anywhere in the world.

"Attention to detail, a commitment to quality . . . this adds up. It represents an advantage, and success comes from there. It is more complex than this, of course. And people try to copy you. If they are extremely efficient at this, the best they can ever be is the same as you



The Times sets the scene for the World Championship Formula One season that starts in the United

- that means, the same, but with a time delay. Even if they copy you perfectly, you still have an edge, so long as you haven't stood still. Copy-cat engineering is a trait in many grand prix teams, but that will never put you in a competitive situation. You must go your own route. This is not an easy thing to

"It has always been our policy to leave it quite late to build a new car for the season. That way, we have the maximum amount of benefit from the research and development programme. That makes your overall performance in the year higher, but this doesn't necessarily show right at the start. It is in the new car but it has not been realized.

"We are very confident that certain areas of the new car are better than last year - aerodynamics, gear selection, a few other things - and by Imola [the third race of the season] we should be able to open the gap again, and be as competitive as we have been."

Actually, the McLaren cars have not been competitive at all. They have run away with virtually everything. That is the trouble, in fact. On the rare occasions they have not won, the result has been greeted with howls of delight: this is "good for motor racing".

"Look in other areas of sport," Dennis said. "If any team or individual makes it look easy, then everybody thinks it is easy. It is not. It is actually quite difficult. The more complex the equation, the more difficult it is: and motor racing is very complex indeed. In most sports, success is directly related to personal commitment. But motor

"And now there is a whole political area in which people are more than happy to see us weakened. I have no objection to being one in the company to succeed next time. But we can't reduce our performance so that others can

Dennis came into motor sport as a mechanic, which is rather as if a top racehorse trainer had entered his profession by "doing his two" as a stable lad. "It was a rich man's sport 25 years ago, and the only way to get his hands dirty. I think I progressed reasonably well," Den-

Not bad, I suppose. Dennis runs the McLaren team, owns 40 per cent of the McLaren group, which includes an electronics company, a marketing company, a PR operation (which includes a rival team, Tyrrell, on its client list), and a firm that will produce a Mclaren production sports car in two or three years.

The thing we fear most in motor racing is self-destruction,". Dennis said. The tensions between the two Mclaren drivers, Senna and Prost, filled newspapers for a year. It



Man at the pinnacle: Dennis amid the hardware that makes McLaren Formula One's most feared force

ended when Prost, winner of the going to make Ayrton or anyone success in sport. The tragedy of year, stormed off to Ferrari declaring that Senna was given a better car, All very odd.

"It was not a productive environment," Dennis said. "A result of the lack of meaningful competition outside, conflicting personalities within, and my inability to control those personalities." The attacks on Senna from the FISA, the governing body of the sport, and from its autocratic president, Jean-Marie Balestre, have coloured the McLaren team's view of human

"I think democracy will win through in the end, but we're not cause. It is all an appalling waste of time, and it deeply hurts me to be associated with anything that has a detrimental effect on the sport.

"But now our game plan is to become more focused — not blinkered - on our objective, not to be distracted by anything that might weaken our ability to succeed. I see no reason why teams should have to go through a period of uncompetitiveness. Uncompetitiveness is the result of bad planning and bad management, not bad luck.

There is a tremendous naivety about people's perception of what it takes to maintain a position of is that they love to build people up and then knock them down. I don't know why there is so much destructive force in human beings and in

organizations. "If everybody worked in a positive manner, everything would be better, life would be better. There is so much energy wasted on things that are quite clearly destructive."

TOMORROW

John Blunsden previews the season and David Miller reports from Phoenix

RUGBY UNION: THREE HOME UNIONS PREPARE TO STAND IN THE WAY OF REWARDING PLAYERS FOR THEIR ENDEAVOURS

Last year profit is NZ record

Wellington (AFP) - The New Zealand Rugby Football Union showed a record surplus of NZ \$1.15 million (about £410,700) in 1989, Russ 2410,700) in 1989, Russ Thomas, the chairman, said yesterday. The figure was up from the 1988 figure of NZ \$800,000, and a 1987 sur-plus of just NZ \$486. On overseas tours, the visit of Amenting resulted in a deficit of

Argentina resulted in a deficit of NZ \$118,676. It was offset by a profit of NZ \$325,247 from the tour by France a month earlier The surplus from the one-off Bledisloe Cup match between Australia and New Zealand at Auckland in August was NZ \$186.903.

Meanwhile, Mike Moore, the New Zealand minister for foreign affairs and trade, has criticized Murray Pierce, the former New Zealand inter-national, for deciding to play in South Africa this year (AP

reports).

Moore reiterated the opposition of the New Zealand Government to sporting ties with South Africa. "I have no doubt that Pierce is well aware of the Government's position,"

Pierce, a former All Black lock, who retired from international competition last month, plans to fly from his today. He will play for the Durban Collegians club, and for the Natal provincial team in the

• The dominance of England and Scotland in the five nations' and Scotland in the nee hations' championship this year has been confirmed in a "Five Nations XV" selected by the French sports newspaper, L'Equipe. Included are seven players from England and five from Scotland, but the me is a place for Williams. but there is no place for Will Carling, the England captain. Carung, the Edgazod Captain.

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Undarwood (Eng), P Selle (F), J Glacots
(Eng), P Lagisquet (F), R Andrew (Eng), R
Jones (Mates), D Sole (Scot), L Amery
(F), J Probyn (Eng), W Dooley (Eng), P
Ackford (Eng), M Sidimer (Eng), D White
(Scot), J Jeffrey (Scot).

Professional approach to amateurism

change, but, from what we can
gather, the regulations
appertaining to amateurism
would appear, in some eyes, to
be immutable. It may be inferred from some corners that they are writ in tablets of stone: England, Scotland and Ireland are set to reject Sir Ewart Bell's recom-mendations and so deny the twothirds majority needed

England are the prime mov-ers. Are they, then, likely to bring their own suggestions to modify the existing regulations, recommendations—lock, stock, and harrel? Cards are being held and narrer? Cares are being near close to the chest. What they would like the game to be in the future must be their guiding light, but in making their judgement, is it the past that will play

the most prominent role?
For those who wish to pre-serve the amateur ideal as it presently exists, and which has been inherited from some sup-posed golden age, it would appear that prominent figures from this great past in rugby football, but who are no longer with us, have been called to the

sail the cause. The response can be a negative one. If the amateur regulations were to be changed in any way, so an argument constantly

By Michael Stevenson

The England 18 Group selectors

were provided with an opportu-nity to reconsider Baxendell, of

but during Cheshire's unbeaten

county season he played with a

skill, authority and intelligence which belied his years. Never-theless, Diprose, of London, and

Hodges, of Cornwall, have been

seven-a-side tournaments

Gerald Davies

nature

pat forward goes, so-and-so (names might cause embarrassturn in his grave. But, as someone who has been closely involved with the debate from the inside (and again names do not wish to be dropped, so delicate lies the land) now argues, it is not with those no longer with us the International Rupby Football Board should be concerned but with the little.

concerned, but with the fiving.

Perhaps someone would care
to resurrect the name of
Crawford Findlay, a Scots referee at the beginning of the eree at the beginning of the century. He had apparently something of a bee in his bonnet about Welsh rugby of the time. The authors of the best Fields of Praise said that Findlay did not seem to appreciate the finer points of the Welsh game, "nor produced the ordere, for les had informed the school teacher, Hys Gabe, at a dinner in 1903,

that he was surprised that Wales selected miners, steelworkers, and policemen for their international teams, and sog-posted that these players should join the Northern Union."

Cowley's magnificent season

ended with an uneasy 14-13

victory over Wirtal Grammar

School, but their reputation goes before them. Sides raise their

Their style of play, which

league player, is a joy to behold and their record of 19 wins from

20 games, with 690 points scored and just 127 conceded,

King's Macclesfield, for Saturday's group final trial at Nottingham High School after McCarthy was injured and Stokes was sent off playing in

Surprisingly, Baxendell did reflects great credit on their not earn selection for the North, but during Cheshire's unbeaten reflects great credit on their coach, Clive Griffiths, the former Llanelli, Wales and rugby

The notial distinctions that were apparent in England and Scotland did not apply to rugby in Wales. Even is Ireland, it notes, there were "observations which provoked immediate resentment and which were that the Welch internationals were able to get into better condition to being workmen".

... being workmen".
There were class divisions which they clearly wished the amateur structure to uphold. So aniateur structure to aparete. So that the cross of constant of what an amateur rugby player should be, has its seeds in an attitude which would be thought of as

which would be thought of as-obnoxious these days.
Findlay might be chosen the feelings of his day, but someone would seen tweak his own I he suggested as much today. The history of what is termed the amateur ethos may well have been a cavaller and clean-cut sort of thing. But it was not for everybody. They might even have preferred an exclusivity change written in.

committee man, say, who does the work voluntarily, and the player who might get his finan-cial reward from book royaltes. or whatever, though such rules would equally apply to the voluntary man. But if the admin-

ing their worst season for five years, but they still managed 16

wins from 20 matches and were

undoubtedly one of the best teams in Scotland. They were defeated by Loretto, George Watson's, Edinburgh Academy

Belmont Abbey's final figures

of 16 wins, four defeats and two draws is also very creditable,

especially as two of their losses

were against the powerful Gowerton Comprehensive

School and St Andrew's, Buenos

Millfield beat Christ College

Brecon 12-10 in the final of the

the performer, then he ought really to think again. In its most basic form, sport could exist without blue.

Vet, several clubs in England are employing directors of rugby. Voluntary administrators have agreed this paid official. The Rugby Football Union itself tecturally approve this kind of thing. Yet they are set against players receiving what is still refurred in "tuwurd for communication" — writing books, media work, and personal appearances. The fact is that they might choose to do these they might choose to do these things in their own free time. What interest should there be

directors of coaching who, if they followed their brief in accomplishing their objectives and so ensured achievement, would demand more and more of in a writter in.

If Sir Ewart Bell's recommendations were to exceed, it is argued, another division would be created. That between the \$22,000 and a car. The international player is not even allowed, under present restricinterview for the timiest of fees.

Baxendell ignored by selectors for final trial

sevens tournament while the Mount St Mary's invitation sevens was won by the home school, who beat Pockington 16-6 in the final.

King's Macclesfield rounded off a good season, in which they had 15 wins and a draw from 21 games, with a 24-0 win against Poynton High School and victory in the Cheshire 15-a-side tournament, beating Sale Gram-

mar School 20-0 in the final.

The best record of any school team may well be held by Warwick School's under-12s. They won their II games without conceding a point and

his efforts are, evaluates his contribution in the same way as the performer, then he ought financial disadvantage to him. He has to pay a man to look after his farm whilst he is away, but it is something he simply cannot afford considering his narrow

> internationals can be a burden. Before he got into the Welsh team, Williams was asked, as others were, to attend a Welsh training camp for six days in Portugal. It is a requirement for selection. With such demands, players surely cannot any more be defined as amateur.

Generally, the amateur regulations are flouted. Players do make personal appearances.
They do get paid for after-dimer speaking. They do appear in advertisements, and they do appear on television and write newspaper copy, and receive a fee. Why persist with such a The very real worry should be,

if there is no agreement at the IRFB meeting at the end of this month, and the two-thirds majority not achieved, how the minority who do not wish for a

Smith returns after injury

met in a league game.

Steve Smith, the Ballymen international hooker, is returning to playing a match for the first time since his rib cartilage injury against England at Twickenham in January (George Ace writes). He is in the team that meets Coleraine in the first round of the Ulster Senior

Challenge Cup at Eaton Park. The pick of the first-round ties tomorrow appears to be between Malone, for whom the international booker, John Mc-Donald, is doubtful, and Dungannon, at Gibson Park. There was little to choose between the teams when they

Guest finds life at the top an unhappy sham

Four days before riding Beech Road, the favourite for the Champion Hurdle, Richard Guest is thinking senously about retiring. Disillusioned by lack of recognition, Guest views Cheltenham with a mixture of relish and dread.

"Everything depends on Beech Road," he said yesterday. "It's make or break. If he gets beaten, my career will probably be a lost cause and you can say goodbye to Richard Guest. The tension is starting to get to me.
Frankly, I just can't wait to get
there and get it over with."
The partnership with Beech

Road, on whom he also won last season's Sandeman Hurdle at season's Sandeman France.

Aintree, should be the perfect showcase for the Guest's polished talents. But last year's successes have not boosted his career as he had hoped. This season has produced just six

"Nothing changed after winning the Champion Hurdle, I've en it my best shot but I'm given it my best shot out I'm still not getting enough decent rides. It's wearing me down and I'm thoroughly depressed."

This is not the talk of a man

This is not the talk of a man hured into racing by dreams of glamour. Guest, aged 24, is a third-generation jockey from a family steeped in the sport. His nucle is "fron Man" Joe Guest; Rae, his brother, formerly a successful Flat jockey, now trains in Newmarket; Sally, his sister, a work rider with Michael Stotte, is married to Paul Eddery. "I've been brought up to expect disappointments in to expect disappointments in this game but that doesn't make

this game but that doesn't make it any easier," he said.
Guest began his career at the age of 'll with Jeremy Hindley in Newmarket, riding out before school and during the holidays. He joined Michael Stoute as a work rider for two years, then spent three years in yards around Europe before moving to Toby Balding's Weyhill stable four years ago. He has made four years ago. He has made steady progress with a career total of 81 winners.

Even the prospect of teaming up with Bishops Yara in next month's Grand National has done nothing to lighten the gloom. Grand finds himself in the binness of heaving the bizarre dilemma of having the icing, but no cake.

Apart from the responsibility of partnering Beech Road, Guest has little else to look forward to next week. His only other booked ride is Ugandan Affairs, for Peter Maldin, in the Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices' Hurdle, "I'm still open to offers," he said.

Guest has tried to pinpoint

trainers' reluctance to use him "I think my quiet style of riding counts against me. Trainers think that it's the only way I know how to ride. But that's how Toby likes the horses handled. It doesn't beip either if

"I must have driven 40,000 miles before Christmas just to ride out. I tried telephoning trainers for rides, but it didn't do any good. It bardly seems worth trying now. I've been trying to find a good agent. But it's no good being part of a string of jockeys, I need my own man."

However, Baiding counsels patience. "Richard has done well winning the Champion in his first season out of his claim. Gaselee 1

his first season out of his claim. He's in that period where he is waiting for things to take off. Richard is the heir apparent here. In two years he could be riding all my borses."

Guest remains unconvince

People will say I'm mouning. think I'm a good enough rider but I can't motivate myself to bash something around for the sake of it. If my position doesn't change this will be my last season and I'll probably join my brother, Rac, as his assistant."
Guest still retains confidence

in his abilities and has high hopes for his star rades. Bishops preparation when fourth in the Greenall Whitley Gold Cup at Haydock last Saturday.

That was a better run than it looked," he said. "His legs were sore after the race, but it turned

out to be an infection rather than anything serious, so he's best he would have a big Guest has also ridden Beech Road in his last gallop at Weyhill, "He's going well. He's

done everything right and is Last time out Beech Road was Vagador at Fontwell. "It turned into a sprint. Vagador still has some Flat-race speed and be just did me for little bit of toe. But

we were getting back to him on the line. But when analysing the big race. Guest looked elsewhere for trouble. "Kribensis is the main will also be in there. But we've beaten Kribensis well enough

"It will be a battle all right,



Selectivity key to future SIS policy

vices has revolutionized cover-age of racing in betting shops. Presently boasting over 11,200 customers world-wide (9,583 in the United Kingdom) and 174 private subscribers, SIS, far from being complacent, is closely scrutinizing the balance of its coverage for future policy, aided by a comprehensive sur-

vey recently completed by re-search group RSGB. honeymoon period, and we regard this survey as a starting point in developing future policy."

Ellis said: "SIS took a conscious decision from January to March 1990 to cover all the allweather meetings as additions to normal coverage. Of particu-lar concern to us is the sugges-

tion of over-saturation in our coverage, possibly resulting from trying to maintain cover-age of virtually all fixtures." Looking at the options, Elis said: "The selection of two meetings for teleprised coverage is a fairly straightforward mat-ter, but when a third meeting is included the issue becomes

more contentious. Problems arise when a turf meeting is not televised, but all-weather is.
"Many forget the contingency
nature of all-weather coverage
and the fact that it is in addition to the two turf fixtures we would have otherwise televised." Admitting that the particu-larly mild weather this winter has not belped in the dilemma,

shown that there is a clear preference for turf meetings and all-weather, and Hong Kong coverage may well be used in future as a back-up."

Corals, the bookmakers, yes-terday claimed that only 373 of its staff, out of a workforce of over 5,000, had voted in favour strike action on three specified days over the next month. "Less than 8 per cent want to

colm Palmer said yesterday.
"Their view is clearly far from representative and we are hoping that they will reconsider in the light of those figures."

The ACTS, a branch of the Transport and General Work-ers' Union, has called for a strike on Coral Golden Hurdle Final day at Cheltenham next Wednesday, and on Lincoln Handicap and Grand National days.

Ladbroke profits, page 22

Since its inaugural live-picture showing of Chester on May 5 1987, Satellite Information Ser-**BSB** review

 Channel 4 will not allow say of its footage to be used on the SIS-organised nightly racing programme to be acreemed by British Satellite Broadcasting from March 27 (Dick Hinder

Channel 4 reasons it has an exclusive deal with receou search group RSGB.

Terry Ellis, the racing director of SIS, said: "It is the end of the ract from its own advertising

However, BBC has been less stringent, only applying a 24-hour embargo for Royal Ascot when it provides its own nightly review of the big meeting.

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is to cover all-weather at short notice with only some all-weather fixtures in the scheduled coverage. A permanent vision link is

being installed between SIS studios and Lingfield, which will allow instant access to pictures in the event of racing elsewhere being cancelled. Also, mobile links vehicles should also be able to reach Southwell at short notice.
From the survey report,

interruptions to commentaries on televised meetings have not been well received and are to be minimized. Ellis stated that in future SIS will limit to five the total number of events covered in an afternoon to include at least three televised meeting When there are five or more horserace meetings, there will be no race-by-race coverage of But with punters wanting an

ideal average time gap of seven minutes between bets, they are

Strike call Bell ban is a minority five years

Margaret Bell, the former Hawick trainer, was yesterday banned from racing for five years by the Jockey Club disciplinary committee under the rule which covers "causing serious damage to the interests of racing". The decision was taken in Miss Bell's absence.

The committee found Miss Bell to have been involved in the mistreatment of Ivy, a threeyear-old bay filly, on her

Miss Bell's father, Harry, was disqualified for 10 years after being convicted of cruelty to the filly in 1988. He was charged with causing unnecessary suffering by towing her behind a landrover and beating her with a street

Gaselee lines up Sandown double By Mandarin (Michael Phillips) (Michael Phillips) Party Politics and Bob Tisdall Party Party Politics and Bob Tisdall Party Politics and Bob Tisdall Part

Party Politics and Bob Tisdall an give Lambourn trainer For Nick Gaselee a double at Sandown today. At anywhere near his best, Bob Tisdall is near his near his best, Bob Tisdall is near his best, Bob Tisdall is near his best, Bob Tisdall is near his and Hound Grand Military Gold Cup.

A glance at the latest list of handicap ratings shows Bob Tisdall, on 148, 23lb above his nearest rivals, Roscoe Harvey and The Argonaut. He will meet both at level weights

One possible equalizer is the ridden by his owner Robert form twice since, then fol-Oeden's son, Adam, who lacks the experience of Charles Lane son Savannah. and Gerald Oxley, the riders ... Argonaut respectively.

ropes by his trainer, who was himself a most accomplished race rider.

Earlier, Party Politics has Okeetee to beat in the BMW Series Qualifier Novices' Chase. Okeetee has taken well to jumping fences, winning at Doncaster and Sandown, but Party Politics arguably achieved more in two races at Warwick. He easily beat Romany



profitable afternoon

fact that Bob Tisdall will be King, who has upheld the Handicap Hurdle over two miles five furlongs. When he lowed up by trouncing Garri- ran at Wolverhampton last nn Savannah month, Battalion was entering uncharted waters as he had of Roscoe Harvey and The day's best bet is Battalion in never raced over as far as 21/2 the Balvenie Malt Whisky miles.

Charlie Brooks-trained sixyear-old and proceeded to make all the running.

held both the useful Bluff bothered by the slightly longer distance of today's race. Big White Chief has drawn further attention to the merit of next time out at Haydock

Merrick Francis has done handful of jumpers that he has one of those to have won, can ner-up to The Wilk.

first division of the Lilac

The other division can go to distely took the lead on the Oliver Sherwood's recent Irish import Tildarg, who won a bumper at Naas in November. At Carlisle, I like the look of The way that he eventually Jimmy Fitzgerald's chance of landing a treble with Otter-

Cove and Big White Chief at beam House (2.0), See You bay suggested he should not be There (4.30) and Hallborough (5.0). Otterbura House, my selection for the McEwans Best Scotch Top Of The North Novices' Hurdle, met two Battalion's victory by winning useful horses in Remitance Man and Empire Blue at Doncaster last time, while See well this season with the You There, my choice for the Cumbrian Hotel Handicap in his mixed yard in Upper Chase, was not disgraced at Lambourn. Bourbon Spirit, Catterick last time when run-

Doncaster Beech Road eases fit to race

Doncaster was declared fit for racing following a Jockey Club inspection yesterday. The course was forced to move last year's St

was forced to move last year's St
Leger to Ayr following problems
with drainage work.

Ron Gillies, the council's Race
Committee chairman, said; "A
great deal of work has been done
on the course, which is now in
pristine condition."

The course bosts the opening
fixture of the 1990 turl season on
Thursday week, with the Wil-

Thursday week, with the Wil-liam Hill Lincoln scheduled for the Saturday of that meeting.

 Andrew Caulfield, secretary of the Jockeys' Association, has forwarded the Jockey proposals for the overnight declaration of jockeys to his council for

Charlie Nelson's Double Encore (John Reid) can gain Britain's fourth win of the Cagnes-sur-Mer season in the Prix Dufy (1m) today.

Beech Road has drifted to 7-4 "They may wish to continue in a favourite with Corals, from different form, perhaps keeping 11-8, for Tuesday's Waterford on race but not the others. We

Crystal Champion Hurdle at Cheltenham (George Rac writes). Kribensis continued in demand and is now 5-2 from 7-

The going yesterday was good with a forecast of fine weather until the weekend. "I'm almost afraid to look beyond then."
Edward Gillespie, the general manager, said yesterday. "So often the week before the festival is glorious and then the weather turns nasty when it

The Cheltenham executive will hold talks with Waterford regarding the company's contin ued sponsorship after the festival. Waterford currently spon-sors the opening novices' burdle and the stayers' hurdle in addition to the Champion.

matters."

"It is too early to be talking about the end of Waterford's involvement," Gillespie said.

decision by the end of March." There are 23 five-day accepdemand and is now 5-2 from 72, with Nomadic Way steady on
8-1.

The soing vesterday was good

tors for the Champion with all
the principals standing their
ground. The size of the likely
field reflects current trends. There were 21 runners when Celtic Shot won two years ago, and 23 when See You Then

registered the second of his three consecutive successes in 1986. Corais have also opened a book on the leading jockey at the festival. Peter Scudamore is 15-8 favourite with Richard Dunwoody, who will ride Desert Orchid and Kribensis, next best

21 11-4. 21.11-4. WATERFORD CRYSTAL CHAMPION HUNDLE (Championship race: £48,579; 2m; 25 five-day acceptors) Bank View; Beech Roed; Crussing Afoucie; Desp Sensation; Dis Train; Don Valentino; Elementary; Indext; Island Set; Jimay Jack; Kribensis; Mola Board; Morly Street; Kribensis; Mola Board; Morly Street; Kribensis; Mola Board; Morly Street; Nornadic Way; Past Glories; Persian Style; Rectandant Pai; See You Then; Spece Pair; Sudden Victory; Vagador; Valrodian; Vicario Di Bray.

SANDOWN PARK

Selections

By Mandarin

2.00 Bourbon Spirit. 2,35 Party Politics.
3.05 Bob Tisdall.

3.40 BATTALION (nap). 4.10 Dromin Joker. 4.40 Tildarg.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.05 The Argonaut. 3.40 Nodforms Dilemma. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.05 BOB TISDALL. Brian Beel's selection: 4.10 Dromin Joker.

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BETTING: 5-4 Bob Tisdel, 9-4 Roscoe Hervey, 8-1 The Argonesia, 10-1 Polo Boy, Canon Cless,

BETTING: 5-4 Bob Yiedati, 9-4 Roscos Harvey, 8-1 The Argonaut, 10-1 Polo Boy, Canon Clas

CARLISLE

Selections

By Mandarin

Michael Seely's-selection: 3.00 Cornet.

Guide to our in-line racecard

2.0 McEWANS BEST SCOTCH TOP OF THE NORTH NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier:

burn House, 4-1 Tribal Ruler, 5-1 Pesiade, 6-1 False Economy, 8-1 Colonel Arthur,

Racecard number. Six-figure form (F - tail.
P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B - brought down. S - slipped up. R - retused.
D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days since test cuting: F if tigst, (B - blinkers. V - visor. H - hood. E - Byesheld. C - course winner. D - distance winner. CD - course and

2,038: 2m 4f) (18 runners)

1 38216 TRIBAL RULER & (D,0) (J Singleton) D McCain 5-11-8...

2005-028 CANTAKORNER 14 (K Foster) Mrs S Austin 6-11-0...

20-05 CAPTAM CAVEMAN S (North West Racing Club) R Earnshaw 5-11-0...

90y0- CAUTIOUS PETE 307 (W Stephenson) W A Stephenson 7-11-0...

23- COLOMEL ARTHMR 347 (SIF) (Miss M Jerdine Paterson) G Richards 6-11

8 86/900- DARA SIMS STY (S Michole) K Ryan 7-11-0...

9 PF3483 QABILIC RISUES 26 (Mrs Stone) J Edwards 5-11-0...

9 PF3483 QABILIC RISUES 26 (Mrs G Stopson) C Tinkler 5-11-0...

10 PAY RISE (M Graham) E Alston 7-11-0...

10 PAY RISE (M GRAHAM) E ANOTO THE CONTROL OF THE CONTROL

2.30 CUMBRIAN KITCHEN NOVICES CHASE (£2,177: 3m) (14 runners)

2.00 Otterburn House.

Going: good to soft (soft in places)

2.30 Jimmy Brig.

3.00 Rambo Castle.

16-1 others.

1890: SNOTHER GEOFFREY 10-12-0 Mr E Smith-Miscowell (4-1) D Nicholson 13 ran

FORM FOCUS SIGE TISDALL never interer 25 44th to Zuko in Ascot handisep (3m, good); previously excellent of soft). SAN OWAC disappointing since defeat of soft). SAN OWAC disappointing since defeat of Sea Challenger at Plumpton (3m 11, good).

ROSCOE MARVEY led until 2 out or Kampton (2m 44, good) by the propton (2m, good).

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Selection: BOB TISDALL (map)

3.30 Hotplate. 4.00 Clippers Dream. 4.30 See You There. 5.00 Hallborough.

D Wildneon
5-11-0 B Storey
J Dillon (7)
ards 6-11-0 N Doughty
R Martey

T Niorgan JJ Opino

... J Deggen L O'Here (5)

N Williamson (3) Mr R Halo (7)

IIIr P Doyle (5)

ì	3.40 BALVENIE MALT WHISKY HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,897: 2m 5f 75yd) (13 runners)
	401 5-5021 BATTALION 18 (9.5) (R Dormer) C Brooks 6-11-10 P Scudemore © 89 402 P41-1FP MASTER BARN 59 (D,F) (P Rogers) R Frost 10-11-4 J Frost 83
	403 P-4F259 MODFORNES DR.EMNA 25 (F.G.3) (P Stamp) O Shewood 7-10-13
	406 21116/F- THE PROCESSOR 903 (G.S.) (J. Hurst) O Sherwood 9-10-7 D Beamsyworth (7) — 407 FF0600- STAGMOUND 324 (C.F.S.) (Mrs C Meadows) J Gifford 8-10-7
	468 5-114EP COWORTH PARK 14 (CD.G.S) (M Stoon) P Mischell 5-10-5
	411 050-000 ESKIMO MITE 16 (B) (P Byrne) J Jentins 6-10-0 R Denvoody 84 412 5320-45 ALCATRAZ 97 (B,F) (P Garner) J Ringer 6-10-0 B.Powell 81
ļ	413 S5004/P- COLLISTO 387 (F) (Mrs S Aldridge) D Bell 9-10-0

BETTRIC: 11-4 Battelion, 9-2 Reggae Yeoman, 6-1 Coworth Park, 13-2 Record Flight, 6-1 Not Dilemma, Jazetes, 10-1 The Processor, Staghound, 16-1 others.

FORM FOCUS BATTALION beat to Calapsez in a stated Ascot race (3m, good) vertisimption (2m 4f. soit); previously 10l 2nd of 8 to Foujita at Wolverhampton (2m, good to soft).

NOOFORMS DILEMMA tailed of last time; beat effort when 8l 2nd of 9 to Dutch Call at Haydook (2m 4f, heavy).

ARZETAS has disappointed over fences of late but is well handicapped here on his beat hurding form.

57AGHOUND put up beat effort when 20½ last of 5.

Selection: RECORD FLIGHT

1 stated Ascot race (3m, good) to COWORTH PARK pulled up last time; previously 33¼ 8h of 18 to Rickem at Newbury (2m 4f 120yd, heavy) with ESKIMIO MITE (same terms) ½1 7ti. Sendown (2m 5f 75yd, good to soft); previously 19l 3rd of 13 to Value at Wincarian (2m, good to soft).

LITTLE TORO 28l 7th of 13 to Voyage Same Retour at Newbury (2m 100yd, good).

Selection: RECORD FLIGHT

4.10 DUKE OF GLOUCESTER MEMORIAL PAST AND PRESENT HUNTERS CHASE

(Amsteurs: E1,488: 3ff 118yd) (3 Furmiers)
501 1F4/IP-\$ COOLCOTTS 22 (CD,5) (L1-Col R Symonds) L1-Col R Symonds 14-12-11 Ninj C Lane (5) e 98
502 4U/31P-4 DE PLUVINEL 13 (CD,5) (6 Preet 17-12-11 _________ J Trice Reigh (7) 84
503 1325-43 FATHER BRADY 13 (F,5) (J Greenall J Greenall 11-12-11 _______ J Greenall (3) 96
504 PP/P- ALSAYEGH 510 (Capt V Lloyd-Davies) Capt V Lloyd-Davies 10-12-4 Cpt V Lloyd Devis (7) —
505 ST/3- DROMBU JOKER 398 (D.FL.9) (D N-Laysland) D N-Laysland 10-12-4 D Neytor Laysland (7) 92
506 US4U/PS- EASY STEED 364 (F) (Major S Eliwood) Major S Eliwood 12-12-4 Cpt O Eliwood (7) —
507 F/0822- IOLLELAN LAD 303 (J Wingfield Dipty) J Wingfield Dipty S H2-4 J Wingfield Dipty (7) —
508 P/6534- LATIN AMERICAN 436 (F,0,5) (M Moore) M Moore 13-12-4 _______ J Nicore (7) 57
509 00/F YNIKIN GOLD 378 (B Pike) B Pike 9-11-13 _______ P Left (7) —
58TTING: 4-9 Dromin Joker, 9-2 Fether Brady, 6-1 Killeten Lad, 14-1 De Puvinel, 16-1 Cocicotis, 33-1 others.

1999: COOLCOTTS 13-12-4 Major C Lane (5-1) Lt Col R Symonds 13 ran

FORM FOCUS COOLCOTTS 55I 6th of 10 to Hand Over here (2m 41 68yd, soft) and will be better suited by this trip. DE PILIVINEEL 321 4th of 6 to Dament Cavity at Cavity

4.40 LILAC NOVICES HURDLE (Div 1k £2,847: 2m) (18 runners)

ı	00-14	ACRE HILL 48 (D,F) (J Henderson) N Handerson 5-11-4	
2		AROUND AND ABOUT 38 (Pol-mos Pariners) A Turnell 6-11-0	
3		CHARLTON YEDMAN (Mrs H Alwen) J Gifford 5-11-0	
ŀ	· PP	CUT ABOVE AVERAGE 21 (J Curvingham) M Wikinson 5-11-0	
5		PERWAY 14 (S) (A Coley) T Thomson Jones 5-11-0	
i		GODIVA BEARINGS 13 (Godive Bearings Ltd) J Fox 8-11-0	
7	OU	JOKER JACK 15 (R Townsend) R Townsend 6-11-0	_
	00	KENTISH PIPER 46 (M Gibson) N Gasaloo 5-11-0 B Powell	7
1	2-6	NO BONUS SI (J C'Nell) D Murray Smith 6-11-0 P Verling (3)	8
•	00-0	SALTY FARE 22 (G Beccle) T Forsier 6-11-0	_
ī		THE ARTFUL RASCAL 62 (Mrs R Banks) J Gifford 5-11-0	
•		TILDARIS 100 (S) (M Oberstein) O Sherwood 6-11-0 J Oakerne	
i		ANNIETLL DO 21 (H Hodge) H Hodge 5-10-9 D Skymae (S)	
í		LARKAWAY (C Bravery) C Stravery 5-10-9 Peter Hobbs	
i	9	MARIE SWIFT 13 (Nrs A Deniel) R Dickin 5-10-9	
í		SHALYMYRRH 71 (Mrs P Hell) J Webber 6-10-9 M Lynch	
;		TOCHENKA 4 (R Minton-Price) Mrs J Croft 6-10-9	_
	-	VILLAGE PRINCESS 323 (Mrs G Lie) N Smith 7-10-9 T Pletfeld (5)	
		5-4 Tedero, 7-4 Acre Hill, 6-1 No Bonus, 8-1 Charlton Yeoman, 12-1 The Artist Rescal,	
er		And strength that their are not received and desirables successful sect. This cancer successful	
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1989; PENDEMNIS 6-11-0 J Osborne (9-4 fzv) N Henderson 12 ran

FORM FOCUS ACRE HILL probably when 371 4th of 15 to Lissahama Lass at Leicester (2m., good to soft). NO BONUS 16% Bith of 13 to Villa Recos at the control at Kempton (2m.) And the control at t

Course specialists

C Brooks D Murray Smith N Henderson	TRAINER Winners 7	Rumners 24 27	Per cens 29.2 22.2 19.5 18.5	Mr G Oxley M Richards	JOCKEYS Winners	Fildes 18 15	Per c 27 20
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3.0 SEAGRAMS 100 PIPERS CHAMPIONSHIP NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier: 4-Y-O: £1,940: 2m 1f 110yd) (8 runners)

543121 CORNET 21 (V.O.S) (Duke of Sutherland) Denys Smith 11-9 C Grant
2 51201F STAY AWARE 13 (BF.F.Q.S) (A Donneton) J.J. O'Nelli 11-8 M Denyer
3 38150 COCK-A-DODOLE-DO 27 (G) (J. Heliens) J. Heliens 11-8 A Origney
14 RANIBO CASTLE 55 (BF.S) (Airs. J Tyrnel) 5 Norton 11-6 J O'Gorsen (S) 6
200 BETTER TMEZE AMEAD 56 (E Briggs) G Richards 11-0 B Storey
23 SIMPLY PERFECT 34 (Mrs. M Jones) M Johnston 11-0. D Coedel
3 3325 THERD 90N 25 (BF) (Mrs. M Barkey) J. Jefferson 11-0. D Byme
BETTENC: 11-4 Cornet, 7-2 Rembo Castle, 9-2 Third Son, 6-1 Simply Perfect, 7-1 Say Ame

3.30 REGAL HOTELS EBF INTERMEDIATE HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,684: 2m) (5

LO REGAL HOTELS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE (21,898: 2m 1) 110yd) (16 runners)

Option (16 rumners)

Option (1

SETTRIG: 4-1 Musical Mystery, 9-2 Cappers Dreum, 8-1 Fleet Footed, 7-1 Festive Filing, Candiebright, 10-1 Gurteen Boy, Billy Tobin, 12-1 Marcellina, Pendley Gold, 16-7 others.

4.30 CUMBRIAN HOTEL HANDICAP CHASE (£2,766: 3m 2f) (5 runners)

BETTING: 2-1 See You There, 5-2 Rivernot, 11-4 Weirpool, 5-1 Coulus Color, 12-1 Rendomly. 5.0 MARYPORT NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,360: 2m 1f 110yd) (22 runners)

IIIr K Jetzeson (2)
D J Hottatt (7)
IIIr R Ford (7) L O'Hera (6) Mr R Hele (7) J Calleghan (5)

J H Barks (7)

Course specialists

JOCKEYS T Morgan N Doughty M Alston Mr P Doyle

Good: good (with good to firm patches)

MARKET RASEN

Selections

By Mandarin 2.15 Kosciosko, 2.45 Market Leader, 3.15 Some Do Not, 3.50 James My Boy, 4.20 Logamimo, 4.50 Mountebor, 5.15 Happy Percy.

2.15 CRANWELL SELLING HURDLE (£1,716: 2m)

1 4510 JASHEN PATH 20 (D.G) J Blundel 5-11-9... M Breomer
2 PO- PLAY TO WIN 498 F Greon 5-11-7... M Response
3 0-50 PRINCE ENGEL BERT 16 J Parists 5-11-7. M Response
4 0020 SICCLIAN SWIPE 17F (B) W HOCKER 5-11-7. P Harley (7)
5 416 KOSCIOSKO 56 (D.G) N Timber 4-11-3... G McCourt
8 05P0 SETSY BOOP 27 (B) R O'Lesty 5-11-2... L Wyer
6 US ALWAYS TAKE PROPRT 3F C Allen 4-10-10. J Rick swipsin CROFTER'S COURT 144F Mrs J Robson 4-10-10 10 2906 WORLDSPORTFLYER 6 M Chapman 4-10-10 W Worthington 11-4 Sicilien Swing, 7-2 Tarmon Less, 4-1 Jeemin Path, 5-1 Prince Englebert, 7-1 Rosciosto, 8-1 Worldsportifyer.

2.45 WADDINGTON CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP CHASE (£2,898: 2m) (5)

BETTING: 6-4 Market Leader, 9-4 Duhallow Boy, 4-1 Mr Quick, 7-1 Clay HIE, 14-1 Tecbir. 3.15 BET WITH THE TOTE NOVICES CHASE (Qualifier: £2,524: 3m) (12)

1 P-05 AGE OF DISCRETION 44 J McConnectie 8-10-10. — 2 LIF BASRULLAN 21 K Beiley 9-10-10. — I Lummance 3 223 BT OF A CLOWN 30 (5) Mrs 1 McCia 7-10-10 L Human 4 PP FREDS HEAD 52 G HUDDER 8-10-10. — T Cloine (7) 5 25-4 GLASS MOUNTAIN 6 (F,G) G Moore 8-10-10

6 5524 MARSIR 27 R Robinson 7-10-10 ... R Finally 8 P9 SANTETOWN 9 (B) C Sportorg 8-10-10 SHADES OF MED \$104F C Scoth 10-10-10 N Smith (7)
12 4PGP WOLVER DAN 6 J Leigh 8-10-10 Gary Lyone (3) 7-4 Bit Of A Clown, 11-4 Sudbrooks Park, 9-2 Gis untsky, 8-1 Some Do Not, 10-1 Marsir, 12-1 Wolver Dan.

Course specialists

TRANSERS: C Sporborg, 3 winners from 4 runners, 75.0%; R Lee, 3 from 6, 50.0%; N J Henderson, 4 from 9, 44.4%; G Richards, 18 from 89, 26.1%; MaeS E Hell, 4 from 17, 23.5%; M H Easterby, 21 from 91, 23.1%. JOCKEYS: B McGH, 3 witners from 8 rides, 37.5%; G McCourt, 13 from 45, 28.9%; Gary Lyons, 4 from 24, 16.7%; M Hill, 4 from 30, 13.3%; L Wyer, 5 from 56, 10.7%. (Only qualifiess).

3.50 SCUNTHORPE ROD MILL HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,898: 2m 4f) (6) 1 6223 SWEET CITY 18 (S) G Richards 5-11-10 NON-RUNNER 2 0P2F JAMES MY BOY 7 (0,0,5) M Dickinson 10-11-7 G NoCount 5-4 James My Boy, 8-1 Geoster, 11-2 Haddon Lad, 12-1 No dibility, 16-1 Royal Gossio.

4.20 SWINDERBY NOVICES CLAIMING HURDLE (£2,037: 2m) (11) 1 4511 LOGAMMAD 15F (D.E.G) N Tinider 11-9 G McCourt
1 4511 LOGAMMAD 15F (D.E.G) N Tinider 11-9 G McCourt
2 1223 BASIC FUN 25 (D.G.S) C Beever 11-4 B McGild (S)
3 3453 ISLAND JETSETTER 27 M H Explanby 11-2 L Wyer
4 0000 BEPPENEL 15 (8) B Key 11-0 CLEVER CLAUDE 210F W Perrin 11-0 S Certain (7)
5 UEZ RESEPTELD 35 K Morgan 10-11 S Testion
7 336 SWIFT CARRAGE 27 J Selferson 10-1 M HIS
8 CRYSTAL PARK 16 J Witerrion 10-9 S J O'Nelli
9 050 FOUR ALLS LADY 16 J Witerwingt 10-9 G Histor
10 00 REANE MENNA 16 J Norton 10-9 W Worthington
11 PRISHT ON CUE 5 (7) M Chepmen 10-9 W Worthington
5-11 Locamino A-1 Intend. Intender 5-9 W Morghington

8-11 Logamino, 4-1 island Jetzetter, 5-1 Nessfield, 8-1 Basic Fun, 12-1 others. 4.50 BINBROOK HANDICAP CHASE (£3,525; 2m

1 5-00 GEE-A 14 (D.F.G.S) G Hubbard 11-11-10... T Claire (7) 2 -52P THE DENION BARBER 27 (G.S) G Richards 8-11-3 3 8511 MOUNTEBOR 21 (F,G) J Edwards 6-16-2 D Tegg 4 /4P- PREBEN PUR 361 (D,F,G,S) M Chapman 13-16-0 W Worthington

8-13 Moumebor, 3-1 Gee-A, 9-2 The Demon Barber, 12-1 5.15 TOFT NEWTON NATIONAL HUNT FLAT

(£1,968: 1m 4f) (20)

 Martin Pipe saddled his first all-weather Flat winner when Magic Ana landed the Skegby Claiming Stakes at Southwell yesterday. The Wellington trainer made a surprise visit to the Nottinghamshire course and punters took the hint, backing Magic Ana from 4-5 to 3-15.

LINGFIELD PARK

Selections

By Mandarin 1.40 Bravo Star. 2.10 Take Issue. 2.40 The Lighter Side. 3.10 Milton Bryan. 3.40 Friendly Coast. 4.10 Greenhills Warrior.

1.40 BULL RUN HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,604: 3m) (9 runners) 1 P4F4 DANIEL MARTIN 24 (B.D.Q.S) R Juctus 11-12-0

2 2212 STORM WARRIOR 7 (B,C,G) B Preson 5-11-4 3 COFF MR CARACTACUS 7 (F) G Gracey 8-10-5 Miles Z Dynason

2-1 Bravo Starr, 100-30 Storm Warriorr, 9-2 Celtic Han 1-1 Oxymeron, 5-1 Daniel Martin, 10-1 others.

2.10 SUMTER CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,702: 21R) (9) 1 5005 TAKE 198UE 16 (CD,5) J Subcliffe 5-11-6 Date Mi 2 PRP- ASSILTAN S12 (B.D.F.C) B Curby 6-11-5... D Murphy 3 10 IRREMUN QUARD 25 (C) M Tomplers 5-11-0 4 0003 EASTERN EVENING 14 J Long 5-10-10 D J Partnell 5 8-P4 FORCELLO 25 (D.G.S) D Burchell 7-10-10 D J Barchell 8 1997 L'ENCHETTE 50 (D.F.S) G Gracoy 5-10-10 Mag Z Davison

9-4 Assultan, 7-2 Take (saus, 5-1 Eastern Evening, Kremiin uard, 8-1 Lending Hand, 10-1 Final Sound, 14-1 others. Course specialists

TRAINERS: C J Benstead, 5 witners from 6 numers, 83.3%; M H Tompidne, 3 from 8, 50.0%; D J G Miuray-Smith, 5 from 14, 35.7%; M C Pige, 10 from 42, 23.8%; J Joseph, 3 from 14, 21.4%; B J Curley, 3 from 16, 18.6%.

JOCKEYS: DeleMcKeown, 28 winners from 82 rides, 34.1%; S Smith Ecoles, 7 from 40, 77.5%; I Shoemark, 5 from 31, 16.1%; H Davies, 14 from 88, 15.9%; M Ahem, 4 from 27, 14.8%; D Murphy, 3 from 23, 13.0%.

2.40 REID MINTY & CO SOLICITORS 10th ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,005: 2m)

3 -401 HORATIAN 9 (CD) A Denson 5-11-3 (7ex) 6-4 The Lighter Side, 9-4 Horston, 4-1 Market, 2-1 The Bri-

3.10 COUNTRY WARMTH HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,733: 2m 4f) (4)

7,733 271 417 (47) 1 4011 BRETON BRYAN 4 (CO.P) J Filich-Heyes S-12-1 (Sec) 1 Bhosmat (B) 2 1014 PARENTUS 4 (CD.F) J Long 7-11-8 Res 3 4050 CELTIC CHINES 44 (V) A Denson 6-11-4 S Nazal 4 4085 CAMDORE BOY 53 (D.F) J Brackey 10-10-10 Q Den 10-11 Mitton Bryan, 100-30 Parentus, 4-1 Cettic Chimes, 5-1 Carndon Boy.

3.40 REID MINTY & CO LITIGATORS NOVICES HURDLE (£1,730: 2m 2f) (8)

1 9511 GO NOBLEY 14 (C) T Thomson Jones 4-11-5 H Devise 2 00-2 HELL-WAY SLUES TO A Richox 5-10-13 R Amed 3 -224 LTTLEGO 20 J Jenichs 5-10-13 M Abend 4 /R-R SECOND MORTGAGE 16 (B) J Filich-Høyes 9-10-13

8 0275 COUGAR S A Roki 4-10-5..... 3-1 Friendly Coast, 7-2 Caroles Clown, 4-1 Go Not 6-1 HS-Way Blues, 8-1 Couger, 10-1 Littlego, 12-1 others.

4.10 ATLANTA NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE

Wincanton results

Gellag: good to firm

2.0 (2m 6t hdie) 1, MERAMAC (J Frost, 10-1); 2, MERICAN Band (B Powell, 10-1); 3, Arlatos (K Mooney, 9-1), ALSO RANt. 9-2, (Nev Tyred N Snookard, Laplatis (Str), 13-2 Popeswood, 10 Migray Falcon (pu), 11 Copper Streak (pu), 12 Smartle Express (4th), Abbeydore (pu), 25 Pyisigh Court. Trojan Song (8th), 33 Harneck (pu), 50 Grathon Malatey (pr), 14 ran. NR: Mr Lon. 7, 21, hd. 21, 151. Fi Frost et Bucklassisgi. Tota: E12-80; 12-20, 12-10, 22-50, DF: E35-80, 635: 637-82. Tricast: £856.04. DF: 235.90. CSF: 297.82. Tricast: 2896.04.
2.30 (2m 5f ch) 1. KOTTINGER (Mr G. Upton, 4-1); 2. Listery Lad (Mr S. Burrough, 14-1); 3. The Legget (Mr A. Wetter, 2-1 tay). ALSO FLAK 7-2. Termforae, 6 Fazzales Boy (f), 12 Green Marcht (Sti), 14 Lor Moss (4th), 16 Greenwood Lad (6th), 16 The Fruit, 9 ran. 31, 25, 11, 6, 71. A Turnell et East Hendind. Tote: 25.30.
21.70, 22.40, 21.10. DF: 253.60. CSF: 250.57. Tricast: 2130.25.
3.8 (2m hdie) 1. WHITE RIVER (P. Barrough).

21.70, 22.40, 21.10. DF: 253.60. CSF: 250.57. Tricast: £130.25.

3.9 (2m Inde) 1, WHITE RIVER (P Barnard, 11-4): 2, Top Entertainer (Pater Hobbs, 8-1): 3, Royal Sing (J Dugger, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Sleapitre Royale (I), 9 Neete (pu), Maržoorcugh Lady (6th), 10 Unwanted Gir, 20 Providence Seas (pu), 25 Doolin, 33 Chatteris (4th), Belhaven Bei (pu), Kelly's Darling, 50 Sectric Money, Pegasus Heights, Greyfrians Bobby (5th), Rapeldo. 16 ran. NR: Arran View, Daring Class. 61, 12, 21, 15, 15 D Haydn Jones at Pomypridd, Tote: 23.50; 21.30, 21.00, 25.00. DF: 226.60. CSF: 225.48.

3.30 (3m 1f ch) 1, WELLINGTON (Mr H Rowsell, 9-2); 2, Abbestem (Mr C Burnatt Welts, 16-1); 3, Ballin (Mr R Darks, 12-1). ALSO RAN: 2 fav Hand Over (pu), 13-2 Poter Glan (4th), 12 Beau N Idol (5th), Last Extravagance (ur), 14 Roccile Doodle (ur), 16 Kifrancis Lad (ur), Mester Hardy (8h), 20 Lady Westgete (ur), 25 Glazzepte Agein (pu), Gredification, 50 Bridesbey Boy (pu), late Oversey, Master Treasure (ur), Meadow Lad (pu), Kally's Story (pu), 18 run. NR: Crammer, 8, 25t, 121, 2t, citst. J Vall at Southampson, Tote: £5.40; £1.90, £4.40, £3.00. DF: £190.10. CSF: £72.21.

4.0 (2m Inde) 1; FFTTH AMERIOMEENT (B de Henn. 10-11 tayt: 2. The Vastmen

4.30 (3m if ch) 1, DUICE'S WHESTLE (R. Durwoody, 11-6 fav); 2, Bara Pag (J. Ralton, 11-2; 3, Scarlet Dyssond (B. Powel, 20-1). ALSO HAM: 15-2 Flemish Fudge (pu), 6 Crotx De Guerre (8th), King's Advocate (pu), 14 Jim Bowie (4th), 16 Brasseys Copes (pu), 25 Wordel, 50 Na'ponny Bridge (pu), Little General (5th), Manchestarskytmin (pu), Monday Club (f), Nougat Russe (pu), Rivervale (pu), Worthy Light (pu), 16 ran. 3, 4, dist, 12, 4, 0 Nicholson at Stow-on-the-Wold. Tote: 22-50; 21.30, 21.70, 25.80, DP: 23.10. CSF: £9.24.

5.0 (2m hdis) 1, BUNETTIOUS BOY (A Webb, 5-1); 2, Kings Victory (C Cox, 25-1); 3, M I Babe (R Beggen, 10-1); 4, Va Lute (N Marm, 100-30 Fav), ALSO RAN: 11 Lightning Wind, 12 Santsila Pal, Legal Tins, Four Star Line (Stit), 14 Five Lamps, 16 Horme D'Affaire, 20 Hobie Storm, Hamper, Shalchio Boy (N, Grossen, Hawkes Bay, 25 Chiropodist, Truism (Bh), 50 Combined Exercise, Bold Goard, Regitme Solo, Mount Erebus, Curragh Cadet, 22 ran, NR: BUBLA, Aldington Bed, 31, 14, 14, 14, 18, A J Wilson at Chelheritam, Tote: £4,70; £2.40, £5.20, £2.50, £1.70, Dual forecast: £349.70, CSF: £117.93, Trigast: £1,127.11.

forecest: E £1,127.11. Placepot: £161.00 Stratford

Going: good
2.15 (2m hdle) 1, Warra Winter (R
Goldstein, 3-1 lev); 2, Switt Affair (50-1); 3,
Ramrod (4-1), 14 ran, NR: Mentinic, 44, 2,
R Carls, Tote: 22,80; 21,80, 213,80,
22,40, DF: 159,50, 65F: 2105,16, Tricest:
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3.15 (2m ch) 1, How Now (M Pitman, 9-2); 2, Noble Eyre (16-1); 3, Wiltishire Yeoman (14-1), Snowy Bondzier 11-4 fav. 11 ran. 31, 41. Mrs J Pitman. Tota: 24.70; c1.50, c3.60, c3.20. DF: 239.10. CSF: 259.89, Tneast: 27/6.20.

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2.10(1m) 1, Roby Bhose (J Culnn, 33-1);
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Practicus Bailerina (33-1); 3, Elegam Rose
(7-1). For Nothing 9-4 tav. 15 ran, 34, 231,
1 Craig. Tota: 52.70; 21.10, 214.90, 52.40.
DP: 527.90. CSF: 2109.46. Tricast:
2750.99.

2.10 (8) 1. Lesting (Dale Gibson, 5-2 lav); 2. How's Yer Father (14-1); 3. Mosey Rose (8-1); 16 ran. Nk, %I W Hastings-Bess. Tots: £4.20; 21.70, 26.50, 24.30. DF: £82.30. GSF: £44.31. 23.0. (St): £44.31.
3.40 (St) 1, Maglic Atm (T Williams, 8-15 tav); 2, Swing North (13-2); 2, Apres Hult (6-1). 16 ran. NR: Northern Lace, 2½, dead-hest. M Fipe. Tote: £1.80; £1.20, Swing North £1.70. Apres Hult £1.70. DP. Maglic Ana & Swing North £2.30, Maglic Ana & Apres Hult £1.30. CSF: Maglic Ana & Swing North £2.30. Ana & Apres Hult £2.37.

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4.10 (8) 1, J Chewer Loophole (8 Duffield, 7-2); 2, Solomon's Song (7-2); 3, Smell Fee (7-1). Love Legend 7-4 fav. 6 ran. %, %L C Texter. Tota: 21.70; 21.50, 21.40. DF: 27.20, CSF- 216.11.
4.49 (1m 4); 1. Tajfita (3 Duffield, 7-2); 2, Suluk (4-1); 3, Manisad Ball (3-1 fav), 10 ran. 151, 151, J Muntop. Tota: 24.99; 21.50, 21.40, 21.60, DF: 211.40, CSF- 220.73, Tricast: 247.76.



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England A home and dry before rainstorms arrive

From Richard Streeton, Harare

and Atherton, in their different styles, brought England a comfortable victory by 10 wickets, with two hours 40 minutes to spare, in the first international match here yesterday. Zimbabwe's last seven batsmen again failed to do themselves justice and England were left to make only 43 to win. Shortly after the game finished a series of heavy rainstorms swept across the

For virtually the first time on the tour, Watkin bowled with the hostility and accuracy which marked his performances last summer when he reactions." carried the Glamorgan attack almost single-handed. Watkin wickets in nine balls without

Brandes, the Zimbabwe fast bowler, who has an injured back, was unable to bowl as Darren Bicknell and Stephenson took England to their target with a succession of firm strokes. Stephenson when eight gave a hard chance to short leg off Duers and nearly played on against Traicos just before the end. Otherwise, there was little encouragement for Zimbabwe. The second inter-

Attacking bowling by Watkin series starts in Bulawayo

Mark Nicholas, the England captain, said that he thought Zimbabwe had lacked confidence. "I do not think they know how they are going to win a five-day game. I got the impression they found it difficult to bat a long time. Compared with when I was here before they are certainly

not playing at their best.
"I also thought we played very well at important stages and obviously we recovered in fine manner from a bad first day. It reflects well on this side's mental and physical

Houghton, the Zimbabwe captain, said his side had lost dismissed both Houghton and Flower, the two batsmen most likely to prolong the Zimgood platform at 253 for three babwe innings. Atherton came and should have gone on to on just before lunch and reach 400 or 450. In the brought the innings to a second innings it was dis-conclusion when he took three appointing that people had got out after getting a sight of the

> "Our players have got to learn that you can play positive cricket but at the same time you must still play as tightly as possible. It is not something we can solve by talking about it."

Zimbabwe, resuming their second innings at 64 for three, were all out for 118. In the first held at second alip before Watkin had Houghton taken national in the three-match at first slip against a ball which

bounced more than mos

Paterson defended solidly. however, and Arnott, who had his right index finger broken in the first hour on Saturday, also resisted bravely later for 65 minutes. Sometimes he removed his bottom hand from the bat as he played his strokes but generally he did not seem too uncomfortable.

Afford dismissed Brandes before Atherton's closing thrust. In quick succession the vice captain, described by Nicholas as a magician, had Paterson leg before to a googly as he played back; Arnott was held at silly point from a bat and pad catch; and Duers edged a leg break to the wicketkeeper.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-36, 2-40, 3-58, 4-88, 5-57, 6-82, 7-89, 8-105, 9-110.
BOWLING: toglession 23-7-47-2; Pringle 10-5-11-1; Afford 15-8-18-2; Wastkin 19-7-35-2; Altherton 52-4-4-3.
ENGLAND A: First Innings 365 (M A Atherton 103, R J Blakey 92, M C J Nicholas 53).

Second Innings D J Bicknell not out ... on not out ...

Toughness and technique the keys to Test success

fears following England's Test-match triumph in Jamaica have been justified. When I suggested last week that I would have been happier had England been about to play a three or four-day match instead of the two oneday internationals, it was on the grounds that it would have been better for them to have continued playing "proper cricket", thus preserving the techniques that had carned

Not only that, it would have allowed them to give one or two of the unemployed members of the squad the opportunity to refamiliarize nseives wild life o a cricket ground. Rob Bailey being a prime candidate for such a chance. Unfortnately, one has to bow to the various demands of touring schedules to the detriment of such to tour managements is to make do as best as possible in



The former England captain previews the second Test

As such, England's job in those two one-day inter-nationals was to continue, if possible, their winning form, against which, of course, West Indies needed to re-establish their own confidence before the second Test, which starts. here tomorrow. I suppose, in that case, one has to say that their aim, especially as far as the likes of Cartisle Best are concerned, as his runs in Wednesday's match will have done him a power of good.

As far as this next Test is niceties and the only scope left concerned, all England must do is to cast their minds back into the not-too-distant past, whatever circumstances and reproduce the mental determination that led to their

SCOREBOARD FROM GUYANA

West Indies won toss

ENGLAND					
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G C Smell not out	18	-	2	23	21
E E Hemmings not out	0	•	-	2	0
Extras (b 1, lb 9, w 7, nb 7)	84				
Total (48 overs, 8 wkts)	188				
A R C Freser did not bat.					
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-71, 2-88, 3-109, 4-109, 5-112, 6-132		J0,		101.	

BOWLING: Bishop 10-1-42-2 (w 6); Walsh 10-1-33-2 (nb 7); Beptiste 9-3-29-0; Moseley 9-0-44-2 (w 1, nb 2); Hooper 10-0-31-1.

D L Haynes c DeFreitas b Hemmings C A Best run out R B Richardson c Russell b Capel C L Hooper not out 7 V A Richards c DeFreitas b Fraser K L T Arthurton not out xtras (tb 2, w 1, nb 1) ...

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-113, 2-155, 3-179, 4-182. BOWLING: DeFreitas 7-1-32-0; Small 9.2-1-43-0; Capel 9-2-39-1 (nb 3); Fraser 11; Hemmings 10-1-33-1 (w 1).
Man of the match: C A Best. Umpires: D Archer and L Duncari.

West Indies won by six wickets.

Second unofficial tour of South Africa is off

Mike Gatting, who returned to his home in London this week, He is appearing on BBC Tele-vision's Wogan tonight and is likely to hold a press conference said yesterday that a second unofficial England tour of South Africa, which had been scheduled for November, would definitely not take place.

captain and vice-captain respec-tively of the unofficial England side and of Middlesex, have the Gatting, who remains under contract to the South African Cricket Union (SACU) as capsupport of their county's membership as well as of its committee. "There have been a tain of the unofficial England side, said that more would be known after a meeting of the SACU later this month. Negohandful of resignations and reappointments but two-thirds tiations were continuing in the Republic, he said.
Catting has yet to decide whether to take a holiday with his family before beginning pre-

Essex profit a record Essex County Cricket Club re- won Blues in 1959, 1960 and

ported a record profit of 1961, has been elected president £174,341 for 1989, its nine- of Oxford University Cricket teenth successive year in the Club. He is the grandson of the black and £20,000 up on 1988. legendary C. B. Fry, an Membership subscriptions rose to £262,799 and proceeds from to £262,799 and proceeds from scholar. The outgoing president sponsorship and matches is M. J. K. Smith (St Edmund climbed from £200,000 to Hall), the former England cap-Charles A. Fry (Trinity), who president.

outstanding sportsman tain, who becomes a life vice-

Gatting and John Emburey.

disciplined performance in Jamaica. I have never been one to give too much credence to the results of one-day matches,

and it is certain that if one was to ask Graham Gooch for his reaction to the two defeats, he would be similarly dismissive. He will be only too aware of the effort needed to continue successfully and, on the basis that West Indies are likely to play a lot better second time round, one has to say that England will have to be that much sharper still to win

The good news is that West Indies are not traditionally England can rely on such trivialities (I seem to remember Australia being traditionally suspicious of Headingley). The main worry is that if the rains persist as threatened, all of this conjecture becomes completely academic, and the great psychological battle will once more be against bore-

Australia ease into series final

From Qamar Ahmed Hamilton, New Zealand

Australia assured themselves of a place in the final of the Rothman's Cup round-robin series yesterday with a convincing win, by seven wickets, over India at Seddon Park. India's defeat means that New Zealand, even if they lose their return game against Australia tomor-row, will reach the final, since they have a superior run-rate in ne competition.
Australia's victory confirmed

their mastery of limited-overs cricket. Chasing a challenging 212-run target in 50 overs, they reached the score for the loss of only three wickets, those of Mark Taylor, Steve Waugh and Geoff Marsh, and with two

overs to spare.
Their task was eased from the start by an 112-run opening partnership between Taylor and Marsh. Taylor was dropped at 36 by the wicketkeeper, Kiran More, off the leg-spinner, Hirwani, before going on to make 56 off 90 deliveries, including sight forces. including eight fours.

Marsh, the man of the match,

scored his 3,000th run in the one-day game when he reached 63, and went on to make 86, with 10 fours and one six, before being caught by Gursharan Singh, off Kapil Dev, with nine runs still needed. They were soon collected by David Boon

W V Raman c Healy b P L Taylor....... 58 M Probleker c M A Taylor b Hughes ... ? A Sharma c Campbell b Hughes †K S More run out

roun is west, 50 overs) ______ 211 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-82, 3-108, 4-114, 5-123, 6-174, 7-194, 8-200, BCWLING: Alderman 7-0-13-0; Hughes 7-0-35-3; Camptoni 8-0-25-0; O'Donnel 9-1-82-0 (nb1); P L Taylor 10-2-31-3; Border 9-0-40-0. Total (8 wids, 50 overs) AUSTRALIA

Total (3 wids, 48 overs) 212 S P O'Donnell, P L Taylor, † A Healy, M G Hughes, G D Campbell and T M Alderman did not but. FALL OF WICKETS. 1-112, 2-158, 3-208.

whose women's team lost 4-0 in the final to Liverpool. Three goals by Nicky Hepworth paved the way to a third consecutive championship.

The score reflected rather harshly on Sheffield, whose rapid breaks forced several

When Crystal Palace reached the semi-finals of the FA Cup year history, under Malcolm

By Dennis Signy

for the second time in their 85-

used to the media coming to our training ground during the week," Coppell said.

Palace have two possible routes to Wembley in the coming weeks: this Saturday's

sixth round FA Cup tie away to Cambridge United, of the fourth division, and the second

leg southern final of the Zenith Data Systems Cap

against Chelsea. The man-ager, however, is playing it low

Dolan will

stay at

Rochdale

By Martin Searby

Terry Dolan, the former man-ager of Bradford City, yesterday ended speculation that he would

return to the club to repeat the

rescue act he performed when put in charge three years ago.

Dolan, now manager of Roch-dale, carried his home-town

club from the bottom to the top of the second division in a 12-

month period, and has achieved a measure of success at Spotland where he took Rochdale to the

fifth round of the FA Cup for the first time in their history and has them in the top half of the fourth division for the first time

tourth division for the first time in 20 years at this stage of the season, with a place in the play-offs far from impossible.

"Things are very different at Bradford now from when I took over before," he said. "I have a contract with Rochdale where I am very happy and I would not go back to Valley Parade under any circumstances."

any circumstances."

The post is to be advertised

following the dismissal of Terry Yorath, who remains as part-time manager of Wales, but is an unenviable job as Bradford are without a win this year or

victory away from home all season and tomorrow's fixture

with bottom-placed Stoke City is crucial to their future in the

Showing how: Coppell, the Crystal Palace manager, in action yesterday during preparations for tomorrow's FA Cup tie

Coppell prefers low-key style

year instory, amer twincom
Allison's managership, in
1976, they were champagne
days at Selhurst Park.
The flamboyant Allison introduced the fedora to foothall
and Palace, then in the third
division, basked in the glare of
publicity. The contrast with Palace's League position, made more secure by a 1-0 win at Tottenham Hotspur on Saturday, preoccupied Coppell during a break in Tenerife at the start of the publicity. The contrast with Palace in 1990, under the tacitum Steve Coppell, could not be more stark. "We are not

back in the top flight and Coppell has invested £1 million in a goalkeeper, Nigel Martyn, and £650,000 in Andy Thorn, a central defend-er with Wimbledon when they won the Cup by defeating Liverpool two years ago. "The League is more important than the Cup," Cappell said. "If we win the FA Cup and get relegated, we have failed. We

West Ham United may have

won Wednesday night's battle at Upton Park 3-0, but Oldham

Athletic deserved to emerge victorious from the Littlewoods

Cup semi-final war (Louise Taylor writes). The six goals they scored in

the first leg proved enough for Joe Royle's team, which quali-fies for its first Wembley final in

a 91-year history, against Not-tingham Forest, the holders,

Goals from Martin, Dicks, and Kelly did much to repair the

egos of the West Ham players,

ionship was held by Liverpool, also for the fourth successive year. Martin Andrews bravely

played on despite injuring his shoulder to help his side to a 6-3 victory over Staffordshire.

Brighton retained their wom

en's basketball title, beating Newcastle 52-35, but lost by a

point to the eventual men's basketball champions, Leeds, in

the semi-finals and also went out by the odd game in nine to

Kingston in the women's squash rackets final.

SPGA REBULTS (Brais unless stated):
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67, Hatfield 71; Leeds 69, Brighton 68,
Final: Leeds 108, Hatfield 78. Wesser:
Setisfrate: Newcastle 56, Marchester
35; Brighton 64, Notingham 54. Final:
Brighton 52, Newcastle 35.
Hockey: Mex: Sheffield 2, Thames 5.
Second XI: Notingham 2, Coventry 0.
Wesser: Liverpool 4, Sheffield 0. Second
XI: Sheffield 3, Sheffield 0. Second
XI: Sheffield 3. Sheffield 34. Second VR: Leeds 4. Liverpool 39.
Bedwinton: Liverpool 58. Sheffield 34. Second VR: Leeds 42. Liverpool 39.
Bedwinton: Liverpool 6, Staffordshire 3.
Squash Recketz: Mex: Newcastle 4, Lelcester 1. Women: Brighton 4, Kingston
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Brighton 1; Oxford 3, Newcastle 5. Final:
Sheffield 5, Newcastle 0.

next month.

the first division, our personnel are not engrained first

compared to the League, are Palace are Wright and Bright, multiplied by five or six."

their goalscoring forwards. Palace have reached the quarter-finals with wins at home over Portsmouth, returned as a substitute against Tottenham after Huddersfield Town and Rockdale. Visiting Cambridge, though, will not be a new suffering a cracked bone in his experience for most of the

Manchester United in 1977.

more important, but the feel-

ings players have in the quar-

ter-finals of the FA Cup,

Manchester United in 1977, Coppell would have been said: "It is all very well for me happier facing Liverpool at to say that League games are home than visiting the Abbey

Studium. "I'd fancy us against anybody at home," he said. For most of the first division

players. "Although we are in division arrogant," he said.
"A lot of first division players
go to smaller grounds thinking
they will win because of their status. Most of our lads are from the second, third or fourth divisions so they certainly do not yet have that arrogance about them.

"It won't be a culture shock Coppell is thinking more of bottom and have to survive." for us. We know what to three points from the visit to Coppell, who won an FA expect. They play a similar Everton a week on Saturday.

University honour Clough

Brian Clough will be required to wear something other than his favourite green sweatshirt when much he has put Nottingham on the world map, far more pos-itively than anyone since Robin he receives an honorary Master of Arts degree from Nottingham

Clough yesterday completed the transfer of Ian Woan, a midfield player, from Runcorn of the GM Vauxhall Conference University.
The Nottingham Forest manager, who was last weekend named Barclays Manager of the Month for February in recogfor £80,000. The most expensive player to leave the Conference this season, Woan, aged 22, is a qualified quantity surveyor, who had talks with Bourneguiding Forest to their second successive Littlewoods Cup final will be required to wear an mouth and Leyton Orient beacademic gown when he attends

the degree ceremony in July.

Announcing the award yesterday, the University Senate hailed Clough's "outstanding contribution" to Nottingham life. A spokesman added: "When we are interviewing foreign students we realize how

the next three years by signing an 18-month extension to his

this season, proved convincing 3-0 winners in their first League game at Highbury for seven weeks, against Nottingham Forest. They now move above Brian Clough's team into third place in the first division table. Goals from Groves, Adams, and Campbell inflicted Forest's first

defeat in 10 games.

Marsellles, the French champions, appear poised to progress to the semi-finals of the European Cup for the first time. An

Vale Park, took charge in 1983, making him the League's sev-enth longest-serving manager.

champague frame of mind, but

McCord, the Derby County McCord, the Derby County midfield player, has agreed to join Barnsley, of the second division, in a £100,000 transfer. David Kemp yesterday finalized his first transfer since taking over as manager of Plymouth Arygle last month, when he signed Walter, a goalkeeper, from Exeter City on a month's loan.

Charles Hughes, the Football John Rudge, the Port Vale
manager, yesterday pledged
himself to the Potteries club for
the next three years by signing
an 18-month extension to his
existing contract. Rudge, who
recently celebrated 10 years at

Oldham deserve cup final place kaving the aggregate score 6-3 and Athletic's favour.

Arsenal, unbeaten at home Sofia, of Bulgaria, in Wednes-Sofia, of Bulgaria, in Wednesday night's quarter-final first leg.

AC Mflan, the European Cup holders, restricted Mechelen, of Belgium, to a 0-0 draw at the Heysel Stadium. The match was moved to Brussels because Mechelen's ground was too small and was the first involving an Italian side to be played at Heysel since the disaster in 1985.

1985.

prepares for a trial by plastic By Isia Ross FOOTBALL: MANAGERS SUPPLY REALISM AS EXCITEMENT OF THE FA CUP FILLS THE SUPPORTERS

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For a man whose club's entire season rests on the outcome of one game, Colin Harvey, the Everton manager, remains remarkably cheerful. Everton travel to Oldham

Athletic tomorrow for an FA Cup fifth round second replay, and although the artificial surface of Boundary Park has proved to be notoriously unsympathetic to English football's clite in roomt years,

"We have done were trees in the past: in fact, we have done well there recently, so why shouldn't we do well there again?" he said, in what could be regarded as a veiled challenge to those members of his aquad who may still harbour reservations about their ability to modify their game to sunt the demands of plastic.

of plastic.
During a 12-year playing career of more than 400 senior appearances for Everton and Sheffield Wednesday, Harvey, a graceful midfield player, was regarded as a purist's delight, and it is no surprise that he smiles broadly when asked whether or not artificial turf has a future in British sport.

"I don't think so," he said. a future in British sport.

"I don't think so," he said.

"To be honest, I don't really know what it is like, because I have never played a fall, competitive match on a plastic pitch. I can only go on what I have seen and what my players have told me."

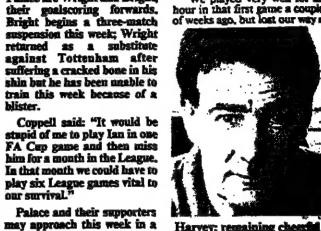
have told me."

Harvey's claim that his side is better equipped than most to master Oldham in their own invariably windswept, back yard is not without substance.

In the tie's first game, 18 days

ago. Everton emerged with a creditable 2-2 draw and would likely have won had Oldham not been awarded a controver-sial penalty early in the second half. Last season, Harvey's want did win at Boundary Park, 2-0 in

a Littlewoods Cup tie.
"We played very well for an
hour in that first game a couple of weeks ago, but lost our way a



Harvey: remaining cheerful little after the penalty incident The replay at Goodison Park was never going to be easy after we had Norman Whiteside sent

off," Harvey said. Everton's attempts to win the

League championship have, once again, been blighted by the leaving the FA Cup as the club's solitary remaining target this season. "It would take a remarkable

"It would take a remarkable miracle for us to win the title now. The fact that my players appreciate that the FA Cup is the only realistic target left to aim for may work for us, or it may work against us. It is a double-edged sword situation, because it may increase pressure on them, or it may inspire them. Let's just hope it's the latter."

Everton have not won a Everton have not won a trophy of any description since Harvey succeeded his former colleague and long-time friend, Howard Kendall, as manager, in June 1987. It is a situation

which he is desperate to correct.

"This is a tough old job, but one which I am still enjoying greatly," he said. "We reached two Wembley finals last year (FA Cup and Simod Cup), but sailed to win either and that is ers have become accustomed to success over the past six or seven years, so I can fully understand their current frustration.

for the team which may con-demn Everton to a third consecdemin Everton to a third coases utive fruitless season is immense: "If, between now and the end of the season, Oldham can perform in the League as they have been doing in the cup competitions, I think that they will win automatic promotion to the first division."

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STUDENT SPORT

Club experience gives Thames hockey title

title for the fourth season run-ning, although a late revival by

The experience of Thames Polytechnic's club players told in the final of the Barclays BPSA hockey championship in Birmingham yesterday. They beat Sheffield 5-2 to earn the men's title for the first time. Thames dominated all but the

last quarter of the match: the

short corner routine between Khalid Naseem and Phil Wallis was exemplary, earning Wallis two goals that established his side's hold on the game. Naseem also scored, from a

penalty stroke, and Imran Mahmood added two goals from open play. Sheffield trailed 4-0 at one stage, but Bob Crutchley and David Stewart scored goals briefly to raise their It proved to be a day of

saves out of Helen Atkinson in saves out of ricies assumed in the Liverpool goal. Hepworth scored twice in the first half and Christine Cook added a third. Liverpool held the netball

their opponents, Staffordshire, pegged the score to 34-34 late in the game. A desperate finish saw the champions triumph 38-34.

The badminton team champ-

Caleogona: snow level, 2,200ft; vertical runs, 1,300ft. Runs: upper and middle complete, by with light dusting of snow; lower, broken and very limited; access roads open; chairfits, three open; tows, eleven operating. Glenaheer snow level, 2,400ft; vertical runs, 600ft. Runs: upper, Calmeell and Butcharts complete; lower, no snow; Calmeell chairfit will run for access to Butcharts; access roads open; chairfits, calmwell open; tows, two operating.

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Forecast All ranges will start off bright, with scattered show showers during the morning. Gleenshee and Lucht will see the best of the morning sunshine, with only light isolated showers. Gleencoe and Aonoch Mor will be cloudy, with outbreaks of rain and snow spreading in during the attemnoon. This weather pattern will extend to most resorts by lets afternoon. The freezing level will start with early morning frost in some aries, rising to around 3,000ft in the afternoon. Winds will be moderate or fresh from the was, increasing later from the southwest.

Outlooks Mild, but cloudy tomorrow with outbreaks of rain and snow. Winds will be strong but will decrease during Sunday.

SNOW REPORTS AUSTRIA
Kizbühel 20 75 fair moguis worn fine
Slopes at Pass Thurn and Jochberg provide best skiing
Obergurgi 120 160 good varied good fine
Very good skiing everywhere, lower runs holding up well
St Anton 50 280 good heavy slushy cloud
Good skiing on upper slopes, resort runs patchy
Schladming 5 115 good varied fair fine
Good skiing on most pistes, but some worn and slushy

FRANCE
Les Arcs 100 110 good crust stuchy
Good skiing on most slopes, situshy by afternoon
Megève 20 220 good varied worn
Good skiing on upper slopes, lower slopes situshy
Val d'isère 130 200 good spring good
Mild, so south-facing slopes situshy by afternoon
Val Thorens 90 180 good heavy good
Superb spring skiing conditions, all lifts open

Cervinia 150 300 good crud good fine 1 2/8 Snow conditions on piste superb. Good moguls on glacier Courmayeur 70 270 good varied — cloud 8 1/3 Good skiing, Cresta Youla and Vallee Blanche now open SWITZERLAND

Arosa 100 140 good varied good fair 5
Sunny sking on well covered pistes to village level
Davos 90 230 good varied fair fair 8
Best skiing on Parsenn, all areas open
Grindelwald 0 60 fair heavy closed fair 9
Good skiing on higher slopes but some worn patches
Mürren 35 120 good soft worn fine 8
Schiithorn and Birg, excellent skiing, others worn
Saas Fee 15 160 good varied fair cloud 7
Good skiling upper slopes, worn patches on slopes
St Moritz 40 100 good varied good fine 5
Generally excellent skiing, icy patches
Verbler 10 260 good varied good fine 5
Good skiling, but runs to the resort becoming worn
Villars 10 60 good varied closed fine 10
Good skiling on piste in warm, sunny conditions
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Malley left smiling as the sick parade takes centre stage

The first day of the Majorca Open here yesterday was saved from becoming a saga of sickness and sadness only by the slightly unlikely figure of Bill Malley, a lightweight Californian, who, with a round of 63, nine under par, leads Magnus Persson by two strokes and a further group, containing Bernhard Langer and Severiano Ballesteros, by

The sick parade on the Son Vida course was started by Ballesteros, who came in with a 66, then complained of fin and scurried off to his hotel room to cosset his runny nose and aching bones.

Meanwhile, further subplots, involving a salver of rogne chicken sandwiches and horror scores on the sixth hole, were unfolding. Three players, Stephen Bennett, Peter Smith and Jamie Spence, had partaken of the free food on the practice ground the previous day and paid the price during the night poor Smith ended up in

bospital on a glucose drip.

Now to the tales of the unexpected on the par-five sixth, a straightforward sort of hole, where players might usually be hoping to recover shots rather than losing them

Echoes of 60 years of golfing

By Patricia Davies mpton Gold Cup score of 73. Today she prepares to celebrate her eightieth birth-day next week, while the likes of atherine Panton and Catriona ambert, the Scots who shared the trophy last year, do battle over 36 holes on the London

Wilson's game is no longer in championship shape, hampered as it is by what she laughingly calls her "decrepitude". She has played only once this year because of the ravages of flu.

Wilson recalled how, 10 years ago, she donated a replica of the Roehampton Gold Cup to Knole Park, Sevenoals, near her bone in the hope that it would home, in the hope that it would be called the Spanners' Cup — played for by those who had reached three score years and 10, "I think they played for it about once," she said, "because

word No. 3 and the president of the International Squash Play-ers' Association, will be zero-rated and disciplined by his own organization, and possibly by the Finnish SRA, for choosing to appear in a Middle East exhibition series next week, when he is listed to play in the Finnish Open.

Dittmar entered the £20,000

day of application to top-up his ranking points, after losing in the first round of the Dutch Open Earlier, however, through his Australian commercial man-

ager, he had agreed with Jahan-gir Khan, the world No. 1, to play exhibition matches during the same period, in association with national championships in Dubai, Abu Dhabi and two

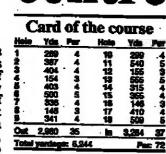
other Middle East locations.
"It was a stupid and unforgiveable mistake on my part," Dittmar admitted yesterday, before playing Mir Zaman Gul, of Pakistan, in the

Open here.
"I got the weeks mixed up and

only realized my error when Jahangir rang me the day the Finnish field was published. I

offered to resign from the ISPA presidency, because I cannot duck the responsibility, but a

nish tournament on the last



make is that of accuracy off the tee; the rough can be punishing, as Brian Norton, Sebastian Bruna and Andrew Sherborne all found to their cost. Norton and Sherborne both had 10s: Bruna, the teaching professional at the Santa Ponsa course, where this tournament has been held for the previous two years, was even more sublimely awful, clocking up 12 before tottering tournament had never been

moved in the first place. Sherborne lost two balls in the jungle on the right, and had taken seven before he Included in the grisly statistics were two lost balls and an unplayable lie. It led to a 77: at least he does not have to worry about making the cut.

to divert the limelight from the unassuming Malley, who in the end made sure of his share of the attention with two eagles and two birdies in an

Azinger ruled out by freak accident

S1 million (£610,000) tournament, a curtain-raiser to next week's prestigious Players' Championship at Tour head-quarters on Pontevedra, Azinger cut his right index finger badly on a crab claw while dining at a fish restaurant on Florida Keys.

It was the kind of mishap that would have had the macho literary hion, Ernest Henningway, a one-time resident of Key West, guffawing with laughter. It not funny for Azinger, although the usual wise-cracks went around the locker room. "Heard

around the locker room. "Heard about the "Zinger"? He's fallen to

started," and so on.
Azinger was deeply shaken by
his defeat by Greg Norman at
Doral after leading throughout ricans beaten in the play-As Mark Calcavecchia

SQUASH RACKETS

Finland furious at

Dittmar's decision

From Colin McQuillan, Salzburg, Austria

A freak accident put Paul Azinger, the season's leading money winner with \$394,919 (£240,800), out of the Honda Classic here. On the eve of the \$1 million (£610,000) tourner husband's victory over the Australian in the plane off at the Open at Troon last July.

sixth, but he fell from grace by

of black comedy was neatly

20 of Majorca's black and white taxis turned up to

sorts of people into Palma and doing them out of busine

It was difficult to imagin

hands up who knows a poor

nded off when a convoy of

"That's right," Calcaverchia admitted with a forced grin. "Never mind. We'd rather have the British," added Mrs C, whose first daughter, Britney Jo, born three weeks after Troon,

not to see his putt fall at the first extra hole, plays here and can be expected to do as well as he did last year when he finished in the top 10 no fewer than 15 times.

Calcavechia was out early yesterday with Fred Couples and could be in omitention seals. and could be in contention again on this big-hitter's course. Sandy Lyle was a late starter.

Conflict is deepening over Chen

By Richard Eaton

Chris Dittmar, of Australia, the world No. 3 and the president of the International Squash Players' Association, will be zero-ISPA and its development-con-scious president, could be pro-found. The Finnish SRA, in

found. The Finnish SKA, in addition to threatening a £15,000 lawsuit, suggested to Dittmar, in a letter, that they may also cancel the 1991 world championships, scheduled for Helsinki, because of his actions.

"That is so far over the top "That is so far over the top that, while I accept my guilt and expect to be properly disciplined, I am now starting to feel bitter towards them," Dittmar said. Nevertheless, he believes the Middle East exhibitions are important to the future of squash. "This is untapped territory and we have major national television coverage," he said.
"When it comes to discipline, the board will have to consider

"When it comes to discipline, the board will have to consider the comparative long-term effects of the ISPA president failing to fulfill an ISPA tournament commitment in favour of exhibition matches," Roger Eady, the ISPA executive director, said yesterday.

RESULTS: Second round: Jansher Khan (Pak) bt D Harris (Eng), 15-9, 15-10, 15-7; C Robertson (Aus) bt J Hickox (Eng), 15-14, 15-10, 15-13; R Martin (Aus) bt M Maclean (Scot), 15-9, 10-15, 15-13, 17-14; R Eyles (Aus) bt U H Khan (Pak), 15-11, 15-10, 15-12.

TABLE TENNIS

John Prean's attempt to block Chen Xinhua's selection for England when he becomes eli-gible in May has been answered by a letter from the deputy chairman and one of the vice-thairman of the Fredigh Table

chairman and one of the vice-chairmen of the English Table Tennis Association (ETTA). Battle lines have thus been drawn for the crucial vote at the ETTA national council meeting on April 21 which should decide the international future of the former World Cup winner from China, who has a wife and son in

Yorkshire. Prean, the ETTA chairman Prean, the ETTA chairman, sent a letter to all league and county secretaries condemning the International Federation's two-year eligibility rule, advising against Chen's selection without a British passport and making "a plea for sanity".

But Prean's deputy, Alan Ransome, and the vice-chairman, Stuart Sneyd, said in their letter that Chen Xinhua's greatest contribution to English table tennis will be as a "personality tennis will be as a "personality the media love to follow".

ne media love to follow.

Ransome and Sneyd also say that the International Federation would be unlikely to introduce any reference to a passport in its eligibility regulations.



Johnson devotee aiming high

dismissal was waiting for the double national junior champion upon his return home to Thornton Heath on Monday. He had been ordered not to take time off on Friday to traval to Cleaner.

Johnson was not forgotten. "I don't think there is a day since he won the world championship in Rome in 1987 that I haven't watched Ben Johnson on videal He's my ideal." you: 'You look like Six Poitier or Dustin Hoffman.'

baircut? "Yeak, I suppose that's part of it." And the spikes? "I just haunes to be the spikes? "I

preferred the second Soviet pair, Natalya Mishkutenok and Artur

particular is breathtaking, made possible only by Mishkutenok's

bigger, stronger and more devel-oped athletes will give him a problem over the last bit," Jim

100 metres, to the world junior title. "Jason is so determined," Faichnie said, "If I go away I could bet a year's salary that when I come back he would have

Livingston is always the first to training. "I get there at 7pm and

ATHLETICS: JUNIOR CHAMPION DISMISSED FOR RUNNING FOR BRITAIN IN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP McKean is ready to take new direction

At the sixth time of a World Cup and three Ex

McKean may be ready to do I McKean, it seemed, had a looking for trouble: in the

Athletic Board has reco

ICE SKATING

Title holders under threat

of unusual lifts and spins and without ever putting a blade out of place. They were defeated in

the free by a hair's breadth by Yelasterina Gordeyeva and Sergei Grinkov, of the Soviet Umon, the champions for the

The world figure skating-championships have shaped up nicely here this week. The women's event has been thrown into an agreeable fienzy by the failure of the holder, Midori Ito, in the compulsory figures, Isa-belle and Paul Duchesnay,

tance of the leaders in the ice dance, and Viktor Petrenko issued a spirited challenge to the holder of the men's title, Kurt Browning, by beating him in the original programme.

On top of that Isabelle Brasseur and Lloyd Eisler brought a patriotic house down on Wednesday night by advancing from fourth place to take an unexpected silver medal (ice dance judges please note).

The Canadian pair, who are not even national champions,

BOWLS

West Cornwall pair in return to the final

By Gordon Allan

Jane Rowntree and Gloria
Thomas, of West Cornwall, the
1988 champions, reached the
final of the English women's
indoor pairs with an easy win
over Ipswich at Luton yesterday. Their opponents will be
Di Wilson and Jean Cammack,
of Boston, who beat Egham
almost as comfortably.

The Ipswich pair — Gwenda
Rednall, whose son, John, plays
for England and Jean Nunn —
were one shot down after seven
ends, but scored only one more

the thirteenth end to move out of reach at 19-8.

In the triples, the holders for the past two years, Teesside, skipped by Norma Shaw, took the lead for the first time late in the game against Barking and won 18-16, qualifying for the semi-finals. Betty Maisey's

were one shot down after seven ends, but scored only one more cover the remaining eleven. Wilson and Cammack scored six on the thirteenth end to move out of reach at 19-8.

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Cammack (Boston) 25, G Hele, A Green (Egistam') 1: J Num. G Rednard (Comman) 25. Thomas (W Comman) 25. Thomas (W Comman) 12. This was treated by Egistam 28; Boston 1, Westminster (Practice) 6; West Mersea 6, Cambridge the strength of the semi-finals. Betty Maisey's 18. Barking 17. Exonic 10. Quarter-finals: Egerton Park 19. Atherity 15: Teesside semi-finals. Betty Maisey's 18. Barking 18; Cambridge Chesterton 19, York 18.

HOCKEY

PRINS SKRIZOG.

RESULTS: Mee's original programme: 1, V Petrarico (USSR), 0.6pts; 2, K Brownias; (Can), 1.2, 3, 7 Eleradge (US), 1.8: 4, R Zander (WG), 24: 5, C Bowman (US), 3.0: 6, G Filipoweld (For), 8.5: British placing: 18, S Coustes, 10.8. Overell: 1, Petrarico, 1.5: 2, Browning, 2.0: 3, Ediredge, 4.6: 4, C Bowman, 4.8: 6, C Bowman, 4.8: 6, Filipoweld, 5.2. British placing: 20, Coustes 20.8. Pales: Final positione: 1, E Gordeeve and S Griskov (USSR), 1.5: 2, I Brasseur and L Esler (Can), 4.0: 3, N Mishkutienok and A Draftiev (USSR), 4.1: Selezneve and O Malkarov (USSR), 5.5: 5, K Yaraguchi and R Galindo (US), 7.5: 8, C Hough and D Lactret (Can), 8.5.

Malvern in fine form for WRAF

The WRAF beat the Wrens 2-1 yesterday in the womens interservices championship at St Ivo Outdoor Complex, St Ives, Cambridgeshire, with Cpl Malvern playing a dominant role. She scored both goals from penalty strokes, one in each half. It was the Navy who put on the pressure at the start, however, finding the RAF defence disorganized. Unfortunately for the RAF, the holders, Cpl Smdd was confident in their goal and the onslaught passed.

PO Wren Ludford and the Wrens' goalkeeper, PO Wren The WRAF beat the Wrens 2-1

Wrens' goalkeeper, PO Wren
Voss, had much to do but in the
62nd minute the Navy had a
penalty corner. Ludford's shot was parried by Cpl Studd and Leading Wren Boughton scored to reduce the arrears. From then on, there were no further scores.

MOTOR SPORT

YACHTING

By Joyce Whitehead

Coghill will

As salvage operations got under-

After a lengthy telephone conversation home, and the LISBON: Portuguese Railly: First stage: 1, C Sainz (Sp), Toyota, 1hr 53min 54sec; 2, M Bisacon (ft), Longis, 35ec betino; 3, K Erksson (She), Mitsubishi, 45ec; 4, A Vaussen (First, Mitsubishi, 50ec; 5, D Auriol 67), Lepcia, Imin 30eac; 8, J Kanidounen (Fin), Lancia, 2:12.

after all.

His decision was welcomed yesterday by John Chittenden, skipper of Creightons Naturally, the rival yacht to With Integrity in the cruiser division.

"We are very pleased he has decided to commue in the race."
Chittenden said. "We have had a year good care so far and with

Southampton."

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Nineties proving tough on Enfield

defeat at Runcorn on Saturday left them at the bottom of the GM Vanshall Conference, 10 points adult of safety and without a win for I I matches.

Their cause on Saturday was not helped by the failure of two of their most experienced players, Pape, the goalkeeper, and Howell, the central defender, to attend the match.

This was his first appearance since injuring his knee on New Year's Day. Runcoan lost Carter to a muscle pull in the same match, and then sold Woan to Notingham Forest in midweek.

national duty with the England semi-professional squad, trav-

injury in the second half. During the last seven minutes, they conceded four goals.

Ted Hardy, the Enfield manager, refused to elaborate on his side's failure or its previous run of poor form. He confirmed that

Pape and Howell, who have FA VASE DRAW: Semi-finele: thyse both been on the transfer-list Town v Yeading Guiseley v Bridingson this season, had not arrived on First legs to be played March 24, second time, but would not say whether

Conference history and Doherty, the former Yeovil forward, became the fourth

The pair, who were on inter-ational duty with the England in the semi-professional inter-mational at Merthyr on Tuesday, elled separately from the rest of the team and arrived after the kick-off, leaving Kemplen, the Enfield reserve goalkeeper, to make his first Conference but the best chance of the game appearance.

Enfield's problems worsened when another defender, Wait, was carried off with a bad knee

appearance.

Enfield's problems worsened mate, who shot narrowly wide from 18 yards.

John McGovern, the former John McGovern, the former

Derby County and Nottingham Forest midfield player, has been appointed manager of Chorley, He replaces Ken Wright, who resigned from the GM Vauxhall Conference Club last week.

YACHTING

continue as skipper

From Barry Pickthall Punta del Este, Uruguay

As salvage operations got under-way yesterday to recover the upturned hull of the Finnish Whitbread Round the World Race yacht, Martela OF, An-drew Coghill, skipper of the British cruiser, With Integrity, has reversed his decision to leave the yacht (Barry Pickthall writes)

promise of an extra £10,000 from the owner of the veteran yacht, the distillusioned skipper said yesterday that he had been persuaded to complete the race after all.

a very good race so far, and with Andrew remaining at the helm of With Integrity, I'm sure it will continue like that for the remainder of the voyage back to

Rescue mission begins to take on importance

The three leaders in the Vendee Globe Challenge non-stop singlehanded round-the-world race are very much on the final lap of their 28,000-mile odyssey (Malcolm McKeag writes). (Maicolm Mickeag Wittes).
Though out of the tropics and into the north Atlantic proper, all three are making relatively slow progress in winds frustratingly variable.

The race has become a close-run thing. Titouan Lamazon, who has led for the past 88 of the 102 days at sea, has fewer than
2,000 miles to sail, but was only
46 miles ahead of Loick Peyron
on Wednesday. The 14.3 hours
awarded by the international
jury to Peyron for the time lost going to the aid of Philippe Poupon in January now as-sumes a crucial importance. As the boats average 10 knots, Lamazou needs to be 150 miles time when he was more than 400 miles in front.

To be first home after racing right round the world, yet not win would be a bitter pill to have to swallow, made no sweeter by the fact that Peyrom is sailing

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46.44, 50ther; 1. J. P. Herots (EG), 1min
46.80sec; 2. B Konchelish (Ken), 1:46.46,
1,590n; K. Chershort (fun), 3:36.15, 3,000m;
1. B Bosselb (Alco), 7:87.93; 2. K Skub (Alco),
7:48.20; 3. B Abshru (US), 7:60sec; 2. F
Schwarpholf (MG), 7.92; 3. C Hawkets (US),
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(USSR), 8:00m; Triple jamps N Mussyeniso
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(USSR), 5:10m, 2. U Transarman (EG),
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LUTON: English women's rectional Indoor Championaline: Pales: Quarter-Smiles: Ips-wich bit Chervell, 20-18; Wags Corrival IX Regby, 26-12. Bosson bit Vert., 20-19. Egisen bit Barlang, 29-14.
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CLUB MATCHER: Newport 22, Ebbw Vale 13; Pensirih 12, Carchif 58; Ponspridd 48, Aberbiley 6; Newbridge 48, South Glassbright instelle 4; Bridgerd 3, Svensen 25; Oxford University 29, Oxfordshire 54. BANK OF SCOTLAND SCOTTAN SCHOOLS CLIP, Semi-final; Kell 13, Galeshiets 24. SCHOOLS MATCH: Campbell College 11, Wallace High School 8.

RUGBY LEAGUE Featherstone 30, Widnes 22; Keighley 10, Olchem 30; Winesbaven 2, Hull KR 48. MEDILESBROUGH: Strechen UK Pro-trassional champiopship: Send-finate. M Rus-sell (Eng) bt P Glernist (Eng), 1,973-1,074; J Murphy (Eng) bt R Edmonds (Eng), 1,149-1,075, Plant Russall leads Murphy, 445-524.

CYCLING CYCLINVO Marselies, 179km; 1, A Belfi (d. 4450b; 2, A Wijnands (Neth; 3, C Borners (Belt; 4, E De Wilde (Belt; 5, W Waller (W Ger; 8, J-P van Poonoei (Neth; 4, at same time. Deviath placing: 15, M Electi (GB), same time. Overall: 1, S Roches (retend), 17:37-34; 2, De Wilde, at 20secs; 3, F Moreau (F), 30sec; 4, L Fignon (F), 31sec; 6, P Heghedooran (Belt, 34sec; 6, B Holm (Dan), 41sec. Bettel placings: 11, R Miller, finit Sec; 58, Elbott, 2-2; TOUR OF MERICIA: Second stage (118km); 1, J Nicken (Nett), 3 r Odnin 186sc; 2, J Gonzalez, (Sc); 3, M Harmers (Neth), 5 och 17 sec; 2, J Cancel (Belt), 1, Nicken; 7 r 55min 17sec; 2, J Oslawe (Belt; 3, Gonzalez, both same time. BIATHLON

MOLNEMOLLEN, Monwy: World champ-lenships: Women's 15km team event: 1, Soviet Union, Stirmi 30.3sec; 2, West Ger-many, thr Imin 18.3sec; 3, Bulgaria, 1:02:09.4, Men's 26km team event: 1, East Germany, fir 4mn 24.1sec; 2, Czecho-slovekia, 1:04:38.5; 3, France, 1:05:14.2. SKI JUMPING

ORNESKOLDSVIK, Sweden: World Cap: Tom bilt: 1, A Felder (Austral), 115.5pts, 82n; 2, W Heim (Austral), 113.5, 81; 3, T Nauser (WC), 110.8, 81; 4, F. Jez; (C2), 110.4, 81; 5, S, M Johanson (Nor), 110.7, 80; 8, A-P Nationa (Fin), 103.8; Overall 1, E Vedori (Austral), 213.pts; 2, Nikola, 212; 3, Jez, 202; 4, Felder, 178; eduals 5, J Weissting (EG) and D Thoma (WG), 165. ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE (NELL: Minnesots North Stars 5, Chicago Black Hawks 4; Winnipég Jes 6, Ousbec Nordiques 3; Caigary Fames 6, Passburgh Penguna 3; Montreal Caracteris 4, Los Angeles Kings 2.

Late results on Wednesday
EJRIOFEAN CUP: Counter-Basis, first leg:
Benifica 1, Despropetrysk 0; Bayern Munich
1; PSV Binstroven 1; CSKA Sofia 6, Marselles
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END COLUMN

Strength

lies in

sport's

divisions

By David Pickan

The extracts from Denis How-ell's forthcoming book, Made in Birmingham, which ap-peared in The Times on Feb-

ruary 24, we characteristically compelling

characteristically compeling.
Denis rightly drew attention the complex inter-relationships between educational policies, tourism carnings, conservation and sport, and be

emphasized the worrying ero-sion of competitive games in

I part company, however, when he states his views about

the Sports Council and its alleged "fundamentally

flawed" structure.

The Royal Charter does provide the council with a high

degree of independence. Were

it not so, Denis would not be complaining, paradoxically, about his inability to question

the council's decisions in Par-

liament. He cannot have it

both ways.
It is true that, theoretically

the Minister for Sport has considerable influence

through his grant-in-aid and

his appointment of members. But examples of any Minister pushing the council to act in

ways contrary to its own

judgment are virtually non existent. Indeed, we ourselve

have taken issue with the

Government, for example, or

the level of funding for sport.

Members certainly do not

perceive themselves as "part

of the managerial concept of ment". And to argue that Mary Peters, Michael Parker, Trevor Brooking.

Peter Yerranton, Norman Ja-

cobs, Richard Fox, Maggie

Hohmann, Ron Emes and

Charles Palmer - all inter-

estional competitors and/or

sense of accountability to sport" is faintly ludicross.

Sports council no

Test under threat as rain may stay for a long innings

The familiar face of Georgesterday, rain teeming from leaden skies and casting doubt on the prospect of the second Test match beginning on time As is often the case in this

equatorial land, it rained through the early hours of the morning and only relented with the implicit promise of returning to unfinished business later in the day. It is a polished routine, and those who have witnessed it before - such as the last two England touring teams in 1974 and 1981, or the Indians of 12 months ago — will testify that, Wireless, would prefer not to when the rain starts here, it come, was vividly illustrated tends to enjoy a lengthy innings.

Wireless, would prefer not to come, was vividly illustrated on Wednesday. Georgetown's population is 200,000; more

Last year's Test in George-town was halted by just such a resumption as, in a city below sea level, drainage is a major problem and Bourda, al-though circled by trenches, holds water like a bath with no plug hole. By yesterday lunch-

If England, in their unaccustomed position of leading West Indies 1-0, can view the weather with more ambiva-

Geoff Cook, chairman of the Wednesday night the TCCB Cricketers' Association, yes-voted 14-4 against the

He said there was "an avalanche" of support among fessionals for ending the four-day cricket and their

precarious, communications primitive. Guyana's airline is down to one plane and that is not only grounded but appar-ently mislaid.

The importance of retaining cricket, in a country not

David Gower, page 38

automatically associated with the Caribbean and where even the Test sponsors, Cable and than 10 per cent were at Bourda for the one-day interdownpour after two fine days. national, many occupying im-There was no chance of a probable perches in trees the birdmen" as they like to

If that one-sided game has any bearing on what is sched-uled to follow tomorrow, it can only be to the advantage of West Indies. England per-formed abjectly, especially with the bat, leaving Micky Stewart, the team manager, to Test would be a sad loss for a country which, socially and economically, has precious little to sustain it.

Stewart, the team manager, to admit. "In the euphoria of the Test victory I did warn that there could be dodgy days ahead, hard days ahead. This was one of them."

"There will be a lot of

Cook criticizes TCCB

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terday criticized the decision changes by the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) to igdisappointment about the denore the pleas of county cision." Cook, the North-captains and reject a switch to amptonshire opening four-day championship disturbing factor is the captains' meeting voted overwhelmingly in favour of

three-day game. But on opinion has been ignored."

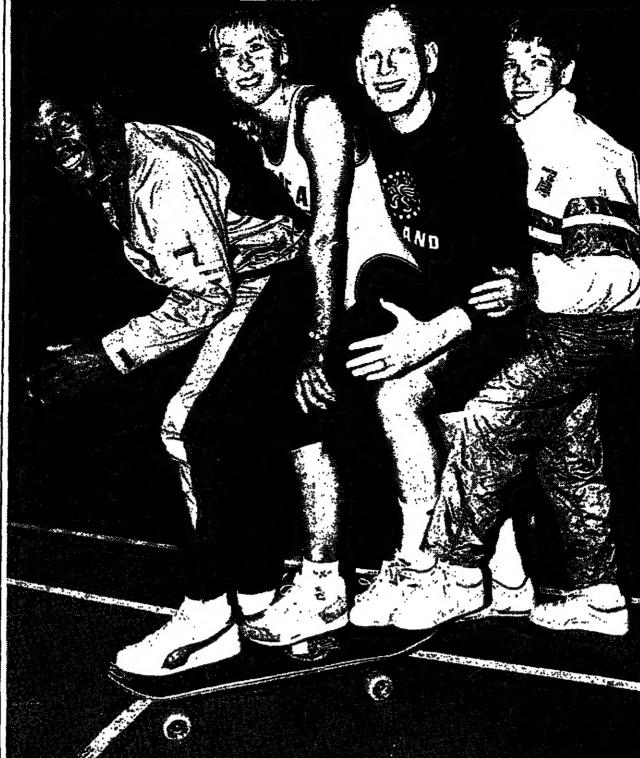
with elegant architecture and emerged from it with more on rich parkland, is now des- his mind than the manager's perately decayed. Local papers son, Alec. He failed in the speak of little but the urgent need for further financial aid. Roads are in poor repair, water and food supplies are Stewart senior has admirably avoided any suggestion of nepotism, but now he felt obliged to leap to his son's defence, "Our No. 3 getting two successive ducks is the same as someone 'bagging a pair' in a Test and we are not in the business of dropping anyone for one poor Test."

This leaves little room to doubt that Stewart will retain his place when the Test team is announced later today, but the situation must at least be giving poor Rob Bailey reason to hope that he might get another innings before the

Bailey has not batted, under match conditions, for more than a month. His first tour has come to such an apparent dead-end that no one would be surprised to see him turn up among the other former players on the television commentary team. Even yesterday's promised morsel, an overs match against Guyana youth in which seven members of the England party were expected to play, was denied him by the weather. Stewart, however, now needs a substantial score in this Test if Bailey is to be kept idle any

The other effect of the match on Wednesday was to stabilize the West Indies side. Hooper and Best, vulnerable figures in the middle order, can hardly be left out now that amptonshire opening runs, has indicated that the batsman, said. The most neglected dimension that the Best has made a century and bowling may yet be effective, on this pitch and against these England players ... always assuming, of course, that the

Getting in step with the community



physical activity (John Goodbody writes). A three-year sponsorship package with the Midland Bank, worth £1 million, is simed at 590,000 school- with Sharron Davies, Duncan Goodhew leavers, and 3,150 schools have asked for and Joanne Conway at the launch, said

tion on how to get involved in community their pupils. The video will be shown over

Linford Christie, pictured above, left, with Sharron Davies, Duncan Goodhew a free, 20-minute video, 44-page full that sport still opened doors that many

Britain was doing so well in international women athletes, in particular, were lost at the time they left school.

he was directed by teachers to join an athletics club, but some youngsters are not so lucky. Christie added that because athletics, there was an attitude that the sport did not need snything, but many

McLaren dispute runs on

From David Miller Phoenix, Arizons

The dispute between the Mariboro-Honda-McLaren team challenge the disciplinary and and Jean-Marie Balestre, the president of interational motoring, is not over. This was confirmed indirectly here yesterday by Ron Dennis, the confirm nor deny the possibilowner and managing director of McLaren, before the start of Sunday's opening race of the Formula One season.

McLaren may yet seek to, deep an involvement in the conflicts of the end of last appeal court authority of season would have weakened the team in the preparations for 1990, but "we're stronger FISA, the motor racing branch of FIA, in the courts. Dennis said that he could neither than we've ever been." Moreover, Dennis added ity of legal action, and said that McLaren "would always do what is best for the sport".

that McLaren would not remain passive on issues off the track, believing that the condition of motor racing must He was aware, he said, that too move forward. He realized that other Formula One teams were cautious of supporting McLaren's action because of its potential detraction from performance on the track. Yet he said: "Houda were totally supportive [in the dispute] and prepared to follow any

route we agreed upon".

Ayrton Senna, hoping to regain the driver's title from Alain Prost, now with Ferrari, appeared relaxed and philosophical. Asked whether he retained any resentment over his treatment by FISA and Balestre, he sat thinking for a full minute before finally say-ing: "Perhaps my silence speaks for itself." He then elaborated. "The conclusion was not best" he said. "Not for

me, the team, the sponsors, the sport or the federation." Meanwhile, Ballestre has issued here a formal statement to the effect that the Formula One championship, and his administration of it, have never been in better shape.

Initiative aims for London to host Olympics

The Labour-controlled Association of London Authorities (ALA) said yesterday that London should aim to host the Olympic Games in a decade's time.

As part of an initiative to expand sports, arts and leisure in the capital, the ALA wants additional investment in football grounds, sports fields and play centres. Richard Sumray, chairman

of the ALA's arts committee said: "The aim should be for London to host the Olympics in the early years of the next century and be the cultural centre of Europe."

 China will announce that it wants to host the Olympic Games in 2000 after the Asian Games in Peking in September, according to He Zhenliang, a senior Chinese sports official. He said China also hopes to stage the fourth

Rugby tickets at £3,000 a pair ticket numbers and to whom will exceed that Scots, too, are of the WRU, said: "Three or

By Alan Lorimer and Owen Jenkins

With the Calcutta Cup rugby union match between Scotland and England just over a week away, £3,000 was the price rumoured to be offered for a pair of centre stand tickets normally priced at £14

Buyers advertising in newspapers in Scotland are willing to pay £100 to get into Murrayfield, while Londonbased companies are quoting £200 for a price that can be negotiated upwards considerably. In one Scottish eve- may be a the odd late tickets ning newspaper, an advertiser declared a price of £500.

Most of the tickets have

they were given, in an effort to still clamouring for tickets, a stop resale at inflated prices. A small percentage of tickets have been sold through sev-eral retail outlets in Scotland on a two-per-head basis, resulting in queues forming at 5am on the day of sale. Some of these tickets are being resold for many times their

face value. Bill Hogg, the SRU sec-retary, reiterating his "no tickets" message earlier this week, said, "Practically all the tickets were sold before the season even started. There available if debenture holders

decide not to go to the match." The problem for supporters been allocated to supporters south of the border is that through rugby clubs, who are their allocation is only 4,800, urged by the Scottish Rugby but it is expected that the Union to keep a strict note of number of English spectators

Amid the clamour, one advertisement in The Scotsman did sound a bit hopeful. Saturday's Wales v Scotland match ended up on the black market at inflated prices or as part of hospitality packages. Although the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) could identify which clubs and individuals were allocated the tickets, it is difficult to trace tickets that are passed from person to

Mike Burton, the former England international, charged £249, plus VAT, for a deal that included a £12 stand ticket, a tie, lunch, a meal after the game and a speaker. Denis Evans, the secretary

"Wanted urgently: All Scotdemand that will make it a land v England tickets." Othbonanza week for the specu- ers, it seems, will be satisfied with just one. In Wales, they are trying to

track down how tickets for last four hundred tickets are involved. I cannot say which club is involved because I am waiting to hear from them. One way around it could be to form an alternative function similar to the one he [Burton] organizes and increasing our own hospitality events - £286 is pretty easily undercut. People have told me of various way he gets his tickets. Clubs can be the innocent parties in these matters and provide tickets to their members in good faith.

What he does is not illegal and there is nothing we can do about it at the moment."

Grand National, the Olympic Games, the Boat Race,

Wimbledon tennis and the Scottish FA Cup final.

David Mellor, the Home Office minister responsible for

broadcasting, told MPs that sports bodies and authorities

would not want to sell exclu-

sive rights to satellite stations until they were a big force in

broadcsting and received in many more homes.

political poodle More generally, the council has shown little tendency to

poodle. On the contrary, it is deliberately aiming to reduce, proportionately, its reliance on direct Government funding by generating income in its owns right, while simultaneously seeking to increase the total resources which can be directed towards sport and

recreation. The claim that "the Central Council of Physical Recreation is the only allembracing forum for sport in this country" would certainly be disputed by sporting bodies in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. This is not in any way to disparage the excellent work undertaken by Peter Lawson and his team at the CCPR, much of which, incidentally, is financially sup-ported by the Sports Conncil. It does, however, indicate that there is no universally recognized and all-embracing United Kingdom forum for sport. But should there be? Interestingly, the British Olympic Association takes the view that it can be more effective by establishing an arm's-length relationship with the Sports Council.

Similarly, the council's

partnerships with local authorities and the private sector in promoting Sport for All campaigns exploit creative qualities that would be unlikely to be generated by a monolithic corporate body.

Need to recognize virtues of plurality

But Robin Corbett, the but dynamic method of of developing the national sporting interest can be seen in the British International Sports shadow broadcasting min-ister, warned that millions of viewers faced being deprived of watching the nation's lead-Committee on which the ing sporting events. "National CCPR, the BOA, the home sporting events should, as a country governing body federations and all four United right, be available on the Kingdom Sports Councils are Alistair Darling an oppo-sition home affairs spokes-man, warned that Parliament represented. What is emerging is a clearer recognition of shared objectives by the variwas being asked to allow a ous voluntary bodies and the monopoly to be created which

We should build on this.

access to big sporting David Pickup is the Director

Warning over television sell-off plan land cricket matches, the Derby, World Cup football finals, the FA Cup final, the that Sky Television, British Satellite Broadcasting (BSB) or any other television com-

By Richard Evans and Richard Ford

Leading sports events such as the Wimbledon tennis cham-pionships and the FA Cup final will not be screened on BBC or ITV within the next few years, broadcasters warned last night after MPs backed a controversial Government plan to sell off tele-

the Toyota Celica of Carlos

Sainz, from Spain, he even-

tually moved ahead on the

final 11-mile gravel stage,

when Sainz chose the wrong

Joughin quits

Steve Joughin, twice the Brit-

ish professional road cycling

champion and a former nat-

ional junior champion, con-

firmed yesterday that he has

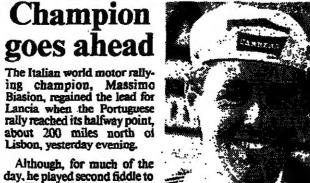
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type of tyre.

Until now, BBC and ITV have been effectively guaranteed the right to screen 10
"listed" events, but MPs
examining the Broadcasting
Bill voted 15-7 yesterday in favour of allowing the right to

pany will be able to buy exclusive coverage of important sports events - and the majority of viewers will be denied access to Britain's premier sporting coverage. cover such prestige occasions to be auctioned off.

The 10 "listed" events are the Commonwealth Games, The radical change means when staged in the UK, Eng-SPORT IN BRIEF



vence & L.

Roche: comfortable Roche leads

Marseilles (AFP) - Stephen Roche, of Ireland, retained the lead in the Paris-Nice cycle race yesterday after a 179km ride from Vergeze, finishing comfortably in the pack behind the day's stage winner, Winter Asian Games in 1999. less he finds a sponsor soon. Adriano Baffi, of Italy.

Pugh injured The Welsh tight-head prop forward, Jeremy Pugh, has been ruled out of the five nations' championship wooden-spoon decider against Ireland, in Dublin on March

Games money The Government is to contribute £6,000 towards the

this summer.

American visit A team from the United States is to take part in the Overtoom international grand prix on April 8, in the Beaconsfield-Amersham area. It will be the first time an American amateur team has competed in a

single-day road race in the United Kingdom, apart from

world championships.

24, after undergoing an exploratory knee operation. national network." Hugh Williams-Jones, of the South Wales Police, is expected to replace him.

would help Sky Television and BSB. Satellite stations costs of the British Transplant would be willing to bid over Games, to be held in Glasgow the odds to win the exclusive rights of sporting events as they could then exploit the market and induce more

people to buy satellite dishes. The Government also refused to change the Bill to guarantee television news organizations such as ITN a sterile distraction.

occasions.

Torie:

A model for this "loose-fit"

desire to work separately but in tandem.

Instead of setting up a strac-ture redolent of the corporate fashions of the 1960s, we should recognize the virtues of plurality in sport, as elsehwere in society. Uniformity of purpose certainly, but a search for uniformity of organization might well prove no more than

General of the Sports Council.